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Student aid evaluated

Deferred payment plan threatened

By Alison Bethel
Hilltop Staff Reporter

A university proposal this summer to eliminate the deferred payment plan has been postponed until fall 1988 after lengthy negotiations with student leaders.

The negotiations came after a university-established task force proposed that the first deferred payment - a system allowing students to pay tuition in three installments - be met at the July 31 fall registration deadline. The second payment would be due 30 days after the last day of late registration.

The policy would have denied admission to more than 5,000 Howard students.

Although the policy is not currently in effect, university officials earlier this year agreed to require students to pay all of the housing fee this fall at the time of registration. Last year the fee was part of the deferred payment plan.

"In essence they were cutting out the deferred payment plan," said Fritz Jean, president of the Howard University Student Association (HUSA). "The proposal would have affected about 3,000 students." On August 22, students had not been notified of the new policies, he added.

Jean said another 2,500 students would have been affected by a subsequent policy stating that students with unprocessed financial aid would have to pay the deferred payment fee of approximately \$1,200, excluding the housing fee, to register. Other students whose scholarships had not yet been processed were also affected.

According to Dean of Admissions and Records, William Sherrill, his office is not aware of who administered the policy. It was, however, amended August 24 to allow continuing students without a delinquent bill and who applied for the same type of financial aid they received for 1986-87 to register.

The student would also be required to pay half the remaining charges, if applicable, after financial aid had been applied to the account. "Anytime you're moving paper around for 40,000 applications, you're talking about potential problems," said Sherrill. "If the financial aid office had been able to process aid on time, none of this would have happened."

"You have a lot of people who walk away, who fail, who don't come back for a number of reasons," said Sherrill. "So that's why there is a tightening of the policy."

With the tightening of the policy came a petition from students enrolled in classes at Howard this summer and others on campus to change the policy.

The 1,200-signature petition was served to the Board of Trustees in place of a rally proposed by HUSA, said Jean. His administration is currently investigating the possibility of asking a bank to take over the deferred payment plan.

According to Sherrill, much of the financial aid problem stems from inefficiency in processing grants and loans by the university's financial aid office.

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Photo by Brian Watkins

Working hard

A worker gets heavily involved in the restoration project underway at the east entrance of the university. See page 3.

LASC scandal uncovered

Council president admits to forgeries

By Robert L. Frelow, Jr.
Hilltop Staff Reporter

The Liberal Arts Student Council has formed an investigations committee to study the admitted forgery of Executive Treasurer Kimberly Churchwell's signature on financial documents during the summer.

All four members of the LASC executive board are under investigation, which includes Churchwell, Executive President Maynard Clarke, Executive Vice President Bostic Beard, and Executive Secretary Kellie Richardson.

The principle figure of the investigation is Clarke, a junior political science major, who has admitted "overseeing" the forgery of documents.

He maintains that the forged documents were a last resort for the good of the council.

"I'm not the kind of person who would allow myself to be elected and not serve as best I can," Clarke said, adding comparisons to himself and Lt. Col. Oliver North, who was the main subject of the U. S. investigation in the Iran-Contra hearings.

He added: "It is common knowledge that Joey Seisay forged the signature for me so that the council might be able to carry on its business when (Churchwell) disappeared for a month."

Seisay, a friend and former housemate of Clarke's, was not available for comment.

The total amount of money involved with the forged documents remains unclear according to Churchwell since two other documents were found in Clarke's desk.

The documents in question however, include a \$115 service re-

quest for LASC stationery, a \$250 advance disbursement request for services rendered to Tyrone Gray which was later cancelled, a \$950 time and attendance payroll report which was not processed, a \$100 petty cash request for Federal Express and miscellaneous expenses, and a \$160 request for purchases for ink pens.

In a letter to Vincent Johns, dean of student life and activities, dated August 24, 1987, Churchwell requested "a formal investigation into the nefarious activities of the Liberal Arts Student Council during the summer term."

The letter continued: "It is my displeasure to inform you that upon my return to the University, I discovered that several documents which required authorization of the Executive Treasurer of the Liberal Arts Student Council had been forged. In addition, I have reason to believe that other unscrupulous activities have taken place."

A preliminary report of the investigation provided by Johns indicated the documents were in fact used for council business and not Clarke's benefit.

Council members debated in three meetings the issues of Clarke overseeing and submitting the forged documents and Churchwell's absence during the summer.

According to Churchwell, "a front-end agreement was made among the council officers which allowed me to live at home during the summer. It was also agreed that I would be in D.C. for all of the council meetings."

Churchwell said she travelled from Hampton on "several" occasions for staff meetings, but none were being held.



Maynard Clarke



Kimberly Churchwell

The other executive council members said that no agreement was ever made about Churchwell living in Hampton, which seemed to be the a main factor in the council's current problems.

Despite this, Churchwell said her main concern is with the forged documents and the alleged release of funds without justification. "I don't have anything to hide and I have the documents to prove my case," she said.

Clarke said that all funds secured with the forged documents and otherwise, were done with the authorization of Raymond Archer, director of student activities.

According to Archer, his signature

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Storage company breaches students' contracts

By Alonza Robertson
Hilltop Staff Reporter

Some 257 Howard students had difficulty retrieving their goods stored with Grant Enterprises over the summer.

Contracts they signed in May with the moving and storage company, owned by Kelvin Grant, provided that the belongings would be picked and delivered to students this fall.

Over the course of the summer, due to two traffic accidents, legal suit and a court order, Grant Enterprises went out of business.

According to Grant "there was no way to forewarn students" that his business was no longer in operation, before they returned to Howard.

Only after Grant turned over the students' contracts to Capital Cities Storage Company, the facility where Grant stored the majority of the 1,000 plus items, were the students able to claim their belongings.

Grant's troubles began when his initial down payment check of \$534 to Capital Cities bounced, said Mark Mayberry, director of marketing for Capital Cities.

"We talked to him and he came in and paid off the first check in cash," Mayberry said. An additional unit was rented and the \$490 down payment for that unit bounced also.

Unable to reach Grant, Capital Cities notified the Check and Fraud division of the Metropolitan Police Department.

Meanwhile, bigger troubles were developing for Grant Enterprises in its moving division.

A truck driver on a moving job struck a Wendy's restaurant forcing Grant to file his company's fifth claim in three years with his insurance company.

Shortly after another Grant Enterprise driver had a traffic accident while under the influence of alcohol. A young girl was killed in the crash Grant said.

On June 13th, Grant received a letter postmarked a day before the second accident informing him that his insurance coverage was canceled.

The following day, the child's family filed a lawsuit against Grant Enterprises.

A court order was subsequently issued freezing his all his assets including his bank account. Soon after Grant filed for bankruptcy and all his assets were seized.

Grant says he failed to tell Capital Cities of his business failure for fear they would sell the Howard student's goods to obtain the money owed for the rented storage space.

Mayberry agreed that it is his company's normal procedure when a client defaults on his payments.

"Once the goods were abandoned we are under no obligation to return them," Mayberry said. He noted his company wished to keep its good reputation with Howard.

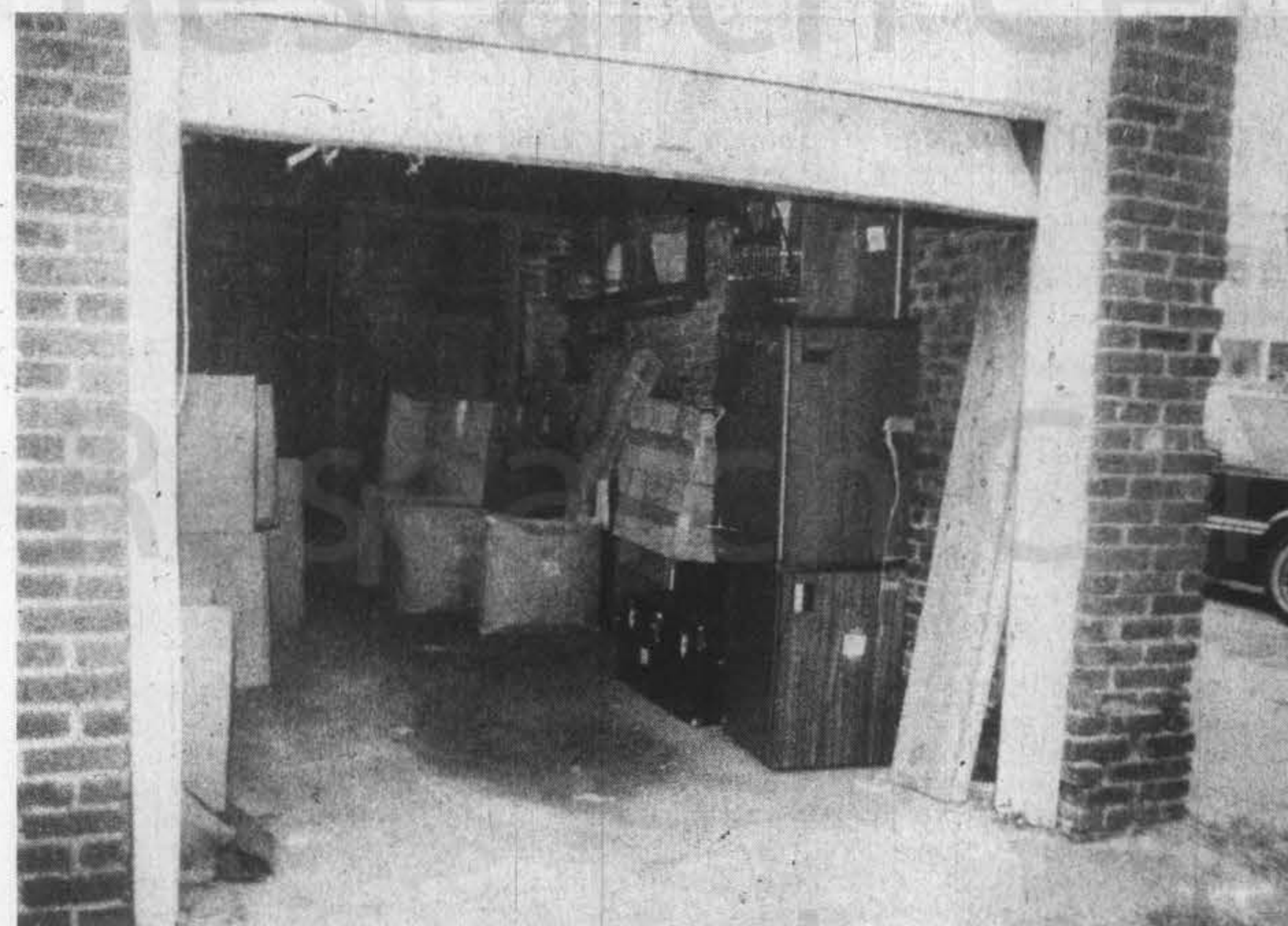


Photo by James McKissic

Kelvin Grant's garage, 57 W St., N.W. still holds the belongings of some students who rented from his company this past May.

After meeting with university officials, Capital Cities collected the balance of the storage fee many students owed Grant, and allowed them to pick up their things at their 301 N Street NE location.

Grant, 29, enrolled in Howard in 1976, and because he was putting himself through

school, it took him nine years to finish.

He graduated in 1985 with a degree in economics. In 1983, while still school, he began building Grant Enterprises when he began his own courier service. Grant said before his financial downfall, his company made more than \$80,000 a year in revenues.

This week:



NASA trains 1st black female, see page 4

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STD cases on the rise, see page 10

Bison ready to go, see page 11

Stabbing still unsolved

By Elizabeth Smith
Hilltop Staff Reporter

District police said Thursday no arrest had been made in connection with the Aug. 28 stabbings of two Howard students outside of the Cook Hall dormitory.

Sgt. Gary Grimes, a 3rd District investigator, said the case is still open and is being actively investigated by Detective James Black.

According to a University official, three juveniles suspected of being involved in the incident were questioned earlier this week.

Bailey Daniels, a 20-year-old sophomore and Dedric Tisdale, an 18-year-old freshman were stabbed and beaten after being approached around 1:50 a.m. Aug. 28th, by a group of males, a D.C. police spokesman said.

According to a university source, the fight originated at the 7-Eleven store on 2725 Georgia Avenue. Daniels, along with a group of friends, began harassing a number of youths who were having car problems outside the store, the source said.

Arguments between the groups prevailed and climaxed when a Howard student allegedly punched one of the youths. The youth fled to his aunt's home and returned with her boyfriend, who was armed.

In a telephone interview Wednesday, Daniels said there had been an earlier confrontation between the two groups that night. He did not, however, disclose specific details about how he was hurt in the scuffle.

Daniels did not agree with the allegation that Howard students struck first.

"No one in the group I was with hit anyone," Daniels said, adding that words were exchanged by both groups, provoking a fight.

Daniels, a reserved football player from Decatur, Ga., was stabbed in the abdomen and had to undergo surgery. He was released from Washington Hospital Center Sept. 7.

Tisdale, a resident of Drew Hall dormitory, suffered a wound to the right side of his chest, but was treated and released the same day.

Alan Hermes, director of University relations, said because the suspects are juveniles, no further in-



Willie Jeffries

formation could be released.

Fighting among Howard athletes and youths in the Washington community is not new, and head football coach, Willie Jeffries said he "would like to see the relationship between the two improve."

Daniels said he takes some responsibility for the incident because of his failure to meet the 11 p.m. curfew. "I realize now that this whole incident could have been prevented if I had been in," he said.

According to Jeffries, curfew

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Cheek released from hospital

By Naomi S. Travers
Hilltop Staff Reporter

University president James E. Cheek was discharged from Howard University Hospital last Monday after receiving treatment for a slipped cervical disk, said university officials.

According to Alan Hermes, acting-director of university relations, Cheek is recuperating in a convalescent home and is in "good condition."

"His ailment is related to a personal matter and will remain that way," said Hermes. "We are hoping that he returns to the office very soon."

Carlton Alexis, vice-president for health affairs and Cheek's personal physician, said the president's recovery process is not going as well as anticipated.

"Dr. Cheek is being treated medically. He is not responding as rapidly as we had hoped. But we are still optimistic that medical treatment will suffice at this time," he said.

Sources in the administration disclosed that the slipped cervical disk is actually a birth defect. The reason



James E. Cheek

for Cheek's hospitalization was temporary paralysis in his arm, a result of the birth defect.

While hospitalized, Cheek was in traction. Correctional surgery was contemplated, but Cheek decided to bypass the operation and receive medical treatment at his home.

Cheek was hospitalized for "a little more than a week," according to Carl Anderson, vice-president of student affairs. He added that Cheek was in full charge of the university during his stay in the hospital.

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Campus

James Mullins

Life on the hill



New financial aid: needed change

What many assumed would be a typically tedious but predictable fall registration session, quickly disrupted into the most chaotic and frustrating in recent memory.

An unnerving reality seems to have smacked both sides of the academic spectrum - both students and administrators - the results of which neither had seriously contemplated.

Students soon learned that excuses instead of money would no longer buy a seat in the classroom or even a bed in the dormitory. At the same time, however, university officials were forced to reexamine the competence of its financial aid and student accounts offices and the efficiency of a manual system currently utilized to process and track financial aid awards and other receivables owed to the university.

A sweeping series of newly adopted university policies concerning registration and financial aid met an unsuspecting procession of returning students, most of whose classes had been dropped due to lack of payment or failure to pre-register last spring.

Registration Bulletin Number 1 from the Office of the Dean of Admission and Records quickly symbolized this new attitude and operation the university undertook. Dated August 24, just four days prior to the opening of general registration, the bulletin outlined a few of the new policies, effective immediately.

Students were advised that they would be permitted to register only if they had applied for the same type aid as last year, did not have an old balance and paid half of the remaining charges after financial aid had been applied to the account. In addition, Guaranteed Student Loan approval notices would also be accepted.

The bulletin had also stipulated that award notices from non-university sources would need approval from the Office of Financial

Aid and Student Employment before the Bursar would accept them as payment. A number of students, mostly graduate and professional, complained that award notices from Howard's own schools and colleges were not being honored.

The policy was changed so often that not even the financial aid representatives could be sure that the information they gave would not be obsolete by the time a student left the office.

In yet another untimely and haphazardly implemented policy change, university officials retired the Deferred Payment Plan, which allows students to pay their bill in three separate installments. After intervention by HUSA, the administration modified its proposal by reinstituting the plan, but required that housing costs and university fees be paid in full and the remaining balance be paid in two separate installments due exactly one month after the end of late registration.

Approximately 80 percent of Howard's 12,000 students receive some sort of financial aid assistance. Any change in a procedure which affects such a sizeable portion should have been implemented slowly and only after great publicity. It is unacceptable that a university would totally disrespect its student body by subjecting it to the kind of frustration and anxieties of this past registration session.

The administration's actions amount to nothing less than pure bullying, and, if it were a corporation, the stockholders would surely have President Cheek's head!

But although I've made no secret with my dissatisfaction of the administration's handling of the matter, I cannot kindly ignore its intentions. A status report from the President's Task Force on University Accounts

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Jones selected as new fiscal affairs v-p

By Suzanne Alexander
Hilltop Staff Reporter

You might catch him looking out his office window on the third floor of the A building or else you'll see the results of his work when Howard makes a major investment in the community. But Melvin Jones, the man who juggles Howard's more than \$250 million budget, isn't easy to catch as the new vice president for business and fiscal affairs-treasurer for Howard.

Jones left his former job as director of the D.C. Department of Finance and Revenue to pursue the challenge of mixing his financial training with Howard's academic setting. Instead of managing the District's \$2.5 billion budget and 700 employees, Jones says he'd rather concentrate on maintaining Howard's finances.

Jones' resignation in June as the District's top tax official came at a time when Mayor Marion Barry was trying to show stability in his administration. Jones left a second vacancy among Barry's top financial advisors. The other vacancy left by former deputy mayor for finance Alphonse Hill, according to published news sources.

"It was one of those situations when Dr. Cheek needed a replacement and I was one of the people he looked at," Jones said. "It was a career decision that I had to make."

Jones denied rumors that the mayor was angry with him for leaving.

"I think he was probably more angry with the timing than with anything," he said.

Jones also denied rumors that the negative publicity surrounding the

mayor throughout his term had anything to do with Jones' resignation.

"This was an opportunity for me to get into an academic setting. Any scandal surrounding the mayor had nothing to do with my decision," he said.

Jones manages the personnel for the entire university, makes up the yearly budget and presents it to Congress, oversees the payroll and accounting departments and is responsible for the investment of left-over money from any program, school or other resource. Jones is also responsible for the financial management of the Howard Inn and the Howard Hospital.

"My job is to be custodian of Howard's revenue and expenditures," Jones said. "It's not overwhelming considering D.C. has 40,000 employees and more than 80 departments and agencies. That's not the case at Howard," he said.

"I want to make sure the pension and retirement system is fully funded. I want no deficit and I want Howard's academic and research programs to continue in their high standards," Jones said.

Howard's deficit is one of Jones' special targets as the new treasurer. Although Howard is federally funded, Jones is interested in money-making investments that will make the university less dependent on the government.

"One way of doing this is through gifts," Jones said. "When students leave Howard, they should make a commitment to give something back," he said.

Revenue-generating programs are another way to make money. "Howard has no such programs right



V.P. Melvin Jones

not but we are interested in them. For example, we'd like to develop the area around Howard," he said.

Jones could give no details about any plans. He took office August 1 as the replacement for Caspa Harris who retired on June 30 after serving 25 years at Howard.

He holds a bachelor of arts degree

in business administration and political science from the University of Iowa and a master of public administration degree from the University of Tennessee at Knoxville. He is currently working on his Ph.D. in public administration at George Washington University and he expects to finish by December 1988.

Bible best sex manual, says lecturer

By Kelley Norman
Hilltop Staff Reporter

Both men and women's "marriage beds are defiled" if they engage in premarital sex, and "the best sex manual is the Bible."

So said Greg Ball, 28, an internationally known and respected speaker from Austin, Texas during a lecture to Howard students in the School of Social Work Auditorium Wednesday

night. He was invited by the Maranatha Student Fellowship, an outreach program to Howard University students directed by Brett Fuller.

According to Ball, couples would be in happier relationships if they exercised sexual self control as single persons. Such control builds character in one's self and trust in the other partner.

"The number one thing that holds

a marriage together is trust. You are not going to trust somebody who does not have a record and a lifestyle of self control and godliness," he said to a crowd of approximately hundred Christians. He believes students are setting our sexual habits now.

A relationship has a better chance of surviving when each partner possess self-knowledge, Ball said.

"Whatever quality you want to have in your mate, you must have it

yourself first," he said. "Most of us want to marry the 'right person' but so many of don't look at our own development."

Ball warned students to avoid "sexual sin" in order to preserve our dignity and character. Men become "weak and ultimate wimps on campus" and women do not marry in angel white wedding gowns that

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Farrakhan, Jackson to speak at H.U.

By Yvonne McCormack
Hilltop Staff Reporter

A visit by an outspoken leader of the nation of Islam and a Democratic presidential candidate highlight upcoming events sponsored by the Howard University Student Association.

Both Louis Farrakhan and the Rev. Jesse Jackson are scheduled to speak at Howard Oct. 23, said HUSA President Fritz Jean.

That event, along with a "Self-Help" program, a Minute Man committee and a community scholarship fund are just a few programs Jean and his staff have prepared for the year.

During the summer, HUSA raised revenues to have typewriters installed in off-campus dorms and made recommendations to the university administration to assist students with sweeping financial charges, Jean said.

The association is currently working on a Self-Help Program that Jean describes as an "economic empowerment" program to aid the student. The program would provide loan services without the red tape of financial aid.

At this point HUSA has not set up specific criteria for program qualification, but Jean said "everyone will be eligible" regardless of parental income. Students will donate to the self help program with part of their student activity fee, he said.

The proposed additional \$5 - which would bring the student activity fee to \$37.50 - is expected to raise approximately \$60,000 per semester, he said.

Howard students held up near dorm

Five Howard students enroute to Slowe and Carver Halls were held up at gunpoint last week in a small vacant lot near 4th Street and Oakdale Avenue.

The black male made away with \$500 and jewelry, a university spokesman said Wednesday.

No one was injured during the robbery that place around 10:30 p.m., said Alan Hermes of university relations.

Metropolitan police and Howard security had made no arrests in the case at press time Thursday.

Gary Carter, Alton Henley, and Rodney McFadden were three of the five young men robbed, a university

source said. Names of the other victims were not available.

McFadden, who is a member of the university's Campus Pal program, said the culprit was between 19 and 21 years of age.

The robber had previously robbed the two other men before approached the five, McFadden said. The suspect was wearing a red sweatshirt with the hood up, he said.

"He forced us into this dark, little alley right off 4th Street and then we saw the other two (men) already sitting and he had us sit," McFadden said.

McFadden said he saw two big groups of people go by who didn't

even notice the robbery in the dimly-lit area.

A junior from Minnesota, majoring in zoology, McFadden said the gunman instructed them not to move and then fled. He said he is not angry at Howard security for his being robbed.

"I don't hold security responsible. There's nothing more they can do. Three guys were walking together on a well-lit, main road. There are no more precautions you can take," he said.

"A lot of people in the D.C. area think all Howard students are rich, so they hunt us down," McFadden said.

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Gold Line receives shuttle bus contract

By Sheila Maxwell
Hilltop Staff Reporter

A Washington bus company has signed a two-year contract with the university to provide shuttle bus service to students living in off-campus housing.

Gold Line Inc., 333 E St., S.W., is using four of its Gray Line coaches to transport approximately 4,000 students to and from campus everyday, said the Rev. Jim Coleman, assistant to the dean for special programs at Howard.

Since 1981, the Leatherwood Motor Coach Co., operators of the East Coast Parlor Tours buses, had been used by the university, Coleman said.

This change was made after the university's purchasing office invited various local companies to introduce bids.

"Gold Line offered a bid of \$315,664. We used Leatherwood in the past but their bid this year was \$331,715," said Joseph Parker, director of purchasing for the university.

"They weren't even the second lowest bidders," he said.

Gold Line received a two-year adjustment period from the university

because the company had no prior experience in providing shuttle bus service for a university.

"Normally, we have a one year contract, but because they were first year vendors, it made sense to allow them to get acclimated to the system," said Coleman.

"Much simpler, it is to let vendors know what they can expect for the following year, so that they can plan," he said. "And it allows an opportunity for students and drivers to have better relations."

The buses primarily provide service to students of off-campus housing, including Meridian Hill Hall, Park Square, Sutton Plaza, Eton Towers and Slowe and Carver Halls.

Howard began using a shuttle service in 1969 to transport students to campus from Meridian Hill, Coleman said.

"Since that time, the university has acquired more off-campus residence halls and has had to expand its transportation service," he said.

Student riders seem pleased with the new company.

"I'm pleased with the new service this year," said Omika Johnson, a sophomore majoring in broadcast journalism.

Aside from a 2:30 p.m. Sutton



Students crowd to board new shuttle bus.

Photo by James McKissic

Plaza shuttle stop, to lessen the crowd capacity, and a few other minor changes "to address the large crowds during express hours," the service hasn't changed at all, according to Coleman.

"We are looking at extending the Sunday hours," he said. "We will initiate it this month. We need students to monitor organizing the students to justify such a change."

"It is scheduled as it is, because of a lack of use. We have requests for runs between 1 p.m. and 5 p.m. Sundays for various reasons, but, if it's underutilized, we won't use it," he said.

Choir travels to Poland

By L.D. Buckner
Hilltop Staff Reporter

The Howard Singers recently completed a 13-day tour of Poland where the group recorded an album of spirituals, work songs and old hymns that will be released in the country this December.

The 36-member group, under the direction of Dr. James Weldon Norris, toured from Aug. 13-25. The tour included performances in Warsaw and at the Music in Old Krakow festival.

The singers were the only group to perform twice at the festival. One concert was given with orchestral music and another with music by Afro-American composers.

The group also stopped in the mountain resort of Zakopane, Poland and performed in a nearby village.

"There were 10 minute ovations.

We had to repeat parts," Norris said. "People sat in the aisles and on the floor. Two students rode bicycles for three days from East Germany to see us."

Norris said the peoeseemed "curious" about the race of the singers. No other black choir has ever performed there.

"We tour because we are a cost expedient group with a good sound," said Norris. He does not know where the next tour will be.

Norris said the tour went smoothly until the groups departure from Poland was delayed due to a cancelled flight from Warsaw to New York.

"The singers really wanted to get back home, but there was nothing they could do," said Norris. "The (travel) agent gave us food allowances, sightseeing tickets, and maps. We just had a ball," he said.

Although the album will not be sold in the United States, Norris has arranged to have copies mailed from Poland when they are available.

The group, an outgrowth of the Howard University Chorale, is in its third year and includes Howard staff and alumni. Alumni, now predominate members of the group, were added to the singers to give it a "fuller sound," Norris said.

Campus briefs

Main gate repaired

A restoration and repair project is underway on a columns marking the east entrance to Howard University at 4th and College Streets, N.W.

According to Nick Fletcher, maintenance operation supervisor to Howard's physical facilities, repairs were needed because the column posed a safety threat.

The column's mortar joints were weakened due to age and weather erosion, said Fletcher. The column will be dismantled and rebuilt.

Reconstruction began Wednesday and is expected to continue for the next two weeks.

Student falls sick

A female student riding the Meridian/Park Square shuttle bus Wednesday was rushed to Howard University Hospital by ambulance after she became ill.

Melissa Saunders, was admitted to the hospital around 9 a.m., said hospital spokesperson Daisy Fitts. Saunders was treated and released the same day. Fitts did not disclose the nature of Saunders' illness.

Furniture arrives

Sutton Plaza and Eton Towers both received substantial amounts of new furniture for the first time this past summer. Meridian Hill

Hall was also among the dormitories to receive new furniture.

A total of 510 new units of furniture were provided. Each room that received new beds, dressers, a desk with lamp, chairs, and in some cases, a wardrobe.

William Keene, dean of residence life, said that new furniture will also be purchased next year and that the "replacement process has been accelerated."

Over the last four years, 1,100 units of new furniture have been purchased. The furniture was dispersed on the basis of need. Students in both Eton Towers and Sutton Plaza expressed that the need for new furniture for their dorms had been overlooked for too long.

Half of Meridian received new

furniture five years ago and with this new addition the dorm now has new or relatively new furniture in all of its rooms, said Dean Keene.

According to Hilda Hebb, head of housekeeping in Sutton Plaza, most of the rooms on the fifth and sixth floors of Sutton received new furniture.

The furniture was purchased on a lease plan, said Keene, and is being paid for over the next five years. The furniture was purchased from the American of Martinsville furniture company.

According to Keene, the next proposed project will provide new furniture to the lounge areas in all of the dorms. Final approval for this project is up for a decision this year.

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Betty McDermott, Personnel Director, Crystal City Hyatt Regency

"MANY EMPLOYERS INSIST THEIR BLACK FEMALE EMPLOYEES APPEAR AS WHITE OR 'EUROPEAN' AS POSSIBLE. FOR MANY WHITES INTEGRATION IS ONLY A ONE-WAY STREET OF ASSIMILATION FOR BLACKS."

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1st black female astronaut

NASA selects Jemison

By Carolyn Head
Hilltop Staff Reporter

This summer the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) selected the first black woman ever to participate in its astronaut training program.

Dr. Mae C. Jemison, a 30-year-old medical doctor in general practice with CIGNA Health Plans in Los Angeles, was among 15 candidates selected.

June 5. She and the other candidates are the first class of astronaut trainees to be chosen since last year's space shuttle disaster in which seven crew members were killed, among them the first teacher chosen to join the shuttle crew.

The explosion, however, did not deter Jemison's interest in joining the program. In fact, she has wanted to become an astronaut since she was a young child.

The dangers of the program, said

Jemison, were a risk she considered when she applied.

"I don't consider the current period beyond redemption. There are dangers involved, but, nothing is 100 percent safe."

Despite the subsequent grounding of the shuttle following the incident, NASA received 1,962 applications from which to select the trainees. Eight of the candidates, including Jemison, were selected as mission specialists. The other seven will train as pilot assistants.

Participants in the program are currently stationed at the Johnson Space Center in Houston, Texas, where they have begun year-long training that will eventually lead to their selection for a space shuttle crew.

Although the next space shuttle flight is scheduled for June 2, 1988, the new trainees have detailed instruction to complete before they are eligible to participate in a shuttle

flight, the first of which is about four years away, according to space center spokesman Steven Nesbitt.

Born October 17, 1956 in Decatur, Ala., Jemison, who is single, grew up in Chicago - the youngest of three children. Her father, a janitor, and her mother, a teacher, still reside in Chicago.

Jemison received a bachelor of science degree in chemical engineering from Stanford University in 1977 and a medical degree from Cornell University in 1981. She spent two and one-half years as a staff doctor for the Peace Corps in West Africa before joining CIGNA 18 months ago.

Now that she has joined NASA, Jemison said she "wants to fly." She also wants to be known as "just another astronaut" but doesn't mind the idea of becoming a role model for black women, she said.



Mae C. Jemison, first black female NASA trainee.

Reunion returns to D.C.

By Taunda Ward
Hilltop Staff Reporter

The second annual Black Family Reunion Celebration returns to the District this weekend to salute the history, tradition and culture of the black family.

The event, organized by the National Council of Negro Women (NCNW), promises to include continuous entertainment, educational events and films, said organizers.

Although the celebration began Thursday with a congressional reception entitled, "A Tribute to Our Future," it continues today on Capitol Hill with various workshops, including a workshop on "Legislative Issues Affecting the Black Family, The Impact of Welfare Reform, and AIDS Education."

NCNW, an organization directed towards improving the quality of life for black women and their families, will host the main celebration from 9:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday through Sunday at The National Mall, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, N.W. All events are free of charge.

Activities at the pavilion include workshops, speeches, health checks, films and exhibits. Appearances by celebrities such as Jesse Jackson, Melba Moore, Jayne Kennedy, Esther Rolle, Coretta Scott King, Betty Shabazz, Audrey Chapman, M. Carl Holman and many others will highlight the weekend.

The reunion will also offer informative programs and discussions that will be set up in different pavilions.

They will include the Children's Pavilion, Young Adult Pavilion, Family Values Pavilion, Education Pavilion, Work Ethic Pavilion, Health Pavilion, Fitness Pavilion

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New District Social Service Commissioner, Marjorie Hall-Ellis.

City position filled

Ellis named service commissioner

By Korva Coleman
Hilltop Staff Reporter

A former county director of human services in Ohio will assume the \$68 thousand a year position of D.C. Commissioner of Social Services next month.

Marjorie Hall-Ellis, who was introduced by D.C. Mayor Marion Barry, Jr. in a press conference last Friday, will replace Vernon Hawkins October 12.

Hawkins was serving as acting social services commissioner following the departure of former Commissioner Audrey Rowe, now advisor to the mayor for human resources.

Rowe, who served an eight-year commission term, said she was pleased

with Ellis' selection.

"She's someone that I've known for a number of years," said Rowe. "She will make an excellent commissioner."

Ellis' credentials include a master's degree in Social Work from Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland and an M.B.A. from Baldwin-Wallis College in Berea, Ohio.

Mayor Barry said at the press conference that Ellis' selection is evidence of his administration's commitment to outstanding human services. Her appointment resulted from a rigorous national search, he said. She was selected from six finalists.

As commissioner, Ellis will be in charge of the human service pro-

grams directly affecting District residents.

She plans to target common city problems including improving services for senior citizens and investigating income maintenance programs such as food stamps, unemployment and welfare, she said.

Another of her priorities will be to lower the number of escapes from Oak Hill, the District's maximum security facility for juveniles, she added. Ellis plans to do this by examining security and staff policies.

Also present at the press conference were Dr. Richard English, dean of Howard's School of Social Work, and Dr. Bogart Leashore, the school's associate dean.

Grill employees arrested

Search uncovers stolen goods

By Tracey Hymes
Hilltop Staff Reporter

Six month prison sentences were issued to Lacy C. Wilson, Jr. and Joseph Wilson, brothers and former employees of the Florida Ave. Grill, for their involvement in a multi-million dollar fencing operation that was exposed last February.

Lacy Wilson, 51, of Fredericksburg, Va., and Joseph Wilson, 45, of Potomac, Md., were charged with trafficking and possession of stolen property. They were given 10-year prison sentences, but all except six months of the sentences were suspended.

The suspects were arrested on

February 14, three months following the initiation of an investigation of a suspected fencing operation, the Federal Bureau of Investigations (FBI) and Metropolitan police raided three locations, which included the Grill.

During the execution of Federal Court warrants at the Grill, located at 1100 Florida Ave., N.W., a search produced \$5,000 in cash, and other stolen property. The other locations uncovered similar evidence.

In Fredericksburg, Va., police officials seized \$30,000 in U.S. currency, a large assortment of jewelry, televisions and stereos, small appliances, power tools, household crystal items, and 47 weapons in-

cluding handguns, rifles and shotguns. An assortment of property and cash totalling an excess of \$30,000 were recovered from a private home in Potomac, Md. Total seizure from the three locations is estimated at \$45,000 in cash and \$2 million in stolen goods. Most of the stolen property was new and is believed to have been taken during burglaries and thefts throughout the Washington Metro area.

The Florida Avenue Grill was opened over 40 years ago by Bertha and Carl Wilson, the parents of the convicted brothers. According to a November 1985 issue of *Esquire*

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Nation in brief

Howard Beach trial begins

Residents of Howard Beach, a predominantly white area of Queens, N.Y., hope that a trial that began Tuesday will not renew neighborhood tensions.

The trial involves an incident which occurred on Dec. 20 of last year. Twelve white youths allegedly attacked three black men who had car trouble. While running from the accused Michael Griffith, 23, was killed when he ran in front of a car.

The incident sparked other racial attacks and led to demonstrations in the usually quiet community near Kennedy International Airport.

Hart admits infidelity

In a recent interview with Ted Koppel on ABC-TV, former

Democratic presidential candidate Gary Hart announced that he does not intend to re-enter the race.

Hart, who withdrew from the race following an infidelity scandal, admitted to not always being faithful to his wife but refused to give a definite answer as to his connection to model Donna Rice.

Although he admitted to a mistake in judgement concerning Rice, he accused the press of prying, too deeply and too often, into the private affairs of public figures.

Jackson says he will run

Jesse Jackson declared this week that he will officially announce his intentions of running for president on the Democratic ticket on October 17.

Jackson, according to a nationwide poll by Time magazine, is the front runner of the race. This may be because he is the only one of those seeking the Democratic nomination to have previously attempted to enter the presidential race.

Pope arrives for U.S.A. Tour

Pope John Paul II to begin a ten day tour of the United States that is scheduled to cover 9 cities.

The Pope, who was last here in 1983, arrived in Miami yesterday and was greeted by President and Mrs. Reagan.

This trip is expected to spur protests from women's and homosexual's rights groups because of the Catholic churches unwavering stance on such issues.

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Cheek

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"He even held meetings from his hospital room," Anderson said. Further hospitalization could lie ahead for Cheek if the medical treatments are not effective or he decides to undergo the surgery, ad-

ministration sources said.

Had he undergone surgery last week, Cheek would have remained hospitalized until early next year, sources said.

The university's Board of Trustees fired Cheek 18 years ago with full knowledge of his birth defect, sources said.

During his career at Shaw University, where he served as chancellor before coming to Howard, the birth defect did not cause problems that were severe enough for hospitalization.

five major reasons behind the \$20 million deficit facing the university.

Apparently, over many years, students have so abused the university's liberal admissions policy - which it saw as a venue to achieve its mission of educating freed blacks - that now in 1987 the well is dry. After years of "getting over," it is clear that we have not gotten over on the university, but instead gotten over on each other.

Now, it is other students who are legitimately in need of the university's liberalism, and without it cannot attend school. In a conservative era such as now, where federal student aid dollars shrink every year and Howard's annual supplementary award from Congress continues to come under increasing scrutiny and

Since coming to Howard University, the defect has periodically caused Cheek to spend short lengths of time in the hospital, sources said.

Cheek is permanently unable to move his neck from right to left and occasionally experiences temporary complications related to the defect, sources said.

skepticism, the goal is towards self-sufficiency.

Put simply: the university just cannot afford students who continuously cannot, and the many others who won't, pay their bill.

This registration session was indeed a milestone. It won't fade into oblivion as did most others. The administration warned students that adequate preparation would be necessary to attend the university in the future.

In turn, the students showed the administration that adequate preparation would also be necessary to run the university. If Howard is to endure - as indeed it must - I suspect that it will take both the students and the administration to appreciate the other's position.

people and entertainers," said Wilson.

A first time customer, Howard student Daniel Sparks, made his attitude regarding the restaurant very clear when he described it as "your basic soul food greasy spoon." He also commented that although the Grill is always talked about as being a good place to eat, he found neither the food nor the services to be satisfactory.

The owners of the restaurant said that the arrests of their sons will not prevent the Grill from continuing to serve District residents and visitors; instead, it will be business as usual.

Several celebrities, including Jesse Jackson, Sugar Ray Leonard and Roberto Flack, have frequented the establishment.

Bit, the core of the clientele is formed by legions of cab drivers.

Bertha Wilson, still co-owner, said that since the investigation there has been no reduction in the number of customers who frequent the restaurant.

"I haven't noticed a difference in business... It is usually crowded with a variety of people. We get a lot of college students, everyday working

The Staple Singers along with a host of other gospel groups will perform Sunday evening.

According to Dr. Dorothy Height, president of the council of Negro women, the Black Family Reunion Celebration was created to build upon the historical, traditional and cultural strengths of the black family and to facilitate self-help solutions to issues affecting black families.

It was also established to create an umbrella by which government, public and private institutions, corporations, community-based organizations, the media and concerned individuals could work together on family-related issues, she said.

The main focus of this year's celebration is education.

"In the past the black family has always held a high regard for education," said Height, adding that the celebration "gives people from all walks of life a chance to come together."

The event began last year in the District, where over 200,000 people attended. This year the concept was expanded to include the cities of Los Angeles, Atlanta and Detroit.

Height said the success of the regional Black Family Reunions has spread and she expects families from around the country to attend this year's event.

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Receivables, issued March 17, provides strong evidence that students are in large part accountable for the university's hard-line attitude toward financial aid and registration.

The report lists the liberal provisions of the Deferred Payment Plan, delinquent student accounts, uncollected billings from graduating and withdrawing students, untimely billings to sponsoring agencies and governments and untimely rewarding of student financial aid awards as the

Grill

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Magazine, the Grill is a landmark restaurant in D.C. history.

During the first march on Washington 20 years ago, many civil rights leaders frequented the Grill and it was a "haven for black and white activists and reporters who knew they'd eat well and be left alone," *Enquire* reported.

Reunion

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and Beauty Pavilion.

The University of the District of Columbia and the Black Film Institute will present a special series of films exploring images of the black family in historical and contemporary films.

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Running for Liberal Arts Student Council President uncontested last spring, Maynard Clarke, like Lt. Colonel Oliver North had a position of responsibility laid in his lap. But unlike Oliver North, Clarke should never be glorified as a hero for what he did (forging the signature of his Executive Treasurer Kimberly Churchwell) nor could his acts be interpreted as courageous. And for what did he commit this malfeasance? 250 inkpens, a ream of stationary and other "miscellaneous office expenses" totalling \$625.00. What was the disparity that led the Executive President to forge financial documents for such miniscule items? Was he indeed power struck after suffering from defeat in his first bid for the Presidency one year ago? Perhaps this rash of forgeries is just the tip of an iceberg of corruption yet to be revealed in the Clarke administration. This is likely being that found on Clarke's desk were blank invoices - laced only with Ms. Churchwell's forged signature - awaiting their use in another scam. And unbeknown to all, Clarke used LASC monies to pay for an advertisement for one of his private ventures.

Making no campaign promises, he never guaranteed his integrity, honesty, or reliability: qualities that should be inherent in someone seeking public office. And being the model of efficiency he claims to be, he gave no more than he promised.

Discovering the tip of the corruption iceberg has been enlightening indeed, but what lies at the base? Caught with his hand in the cookie jar, Clarke admitted to overseeing the forgeries

(he commissioned artist Joey Seisay to replicate Ms. Churchwell's signature) and has attempted to legitimize the actions. He claims they were in the best interest of the Council, but have the ends justified the means? Surely we have not come to the true end, and if backed further in to the corner, what other nefarious deeds will Clarke admit to?

With final investigation pending, punitive actions have yet to be taken. But first several conclusions have to be arrived at, including what made it so attractive in the first place for Clarke to embark on this escapade? What possible gain would he get from forgery?

Someone who is honest after being caught in a wrong doing is not honest at all. With a Political Science major, we shudder to think Clarke may actually ponder a career in politics. If so, one hopes that he'll face some opposition to which he'll pale in comparison. In light of this one could ask for what one could rightfully demand: his resignation and full cooperation with the ongoing investigation. Then the LASC would carryout its duties, not as a "for profit" organization but as one that serves the student body - with honesty and integrity.

After completion of the investigation, Liberal Arts students need to see to it that their student council's constitution is completely revised so that there is no room for vagueness or open interpretation of its guidelines, and should make certain requirements of those students who serve on the council's executive board. These leaders need to be held accountable for their actions, and in some cases their lack thereof.



Letters to the editor

Dear Editor,

In my several years at Howard University I cannot recall seeing an Orientation Issue.

On that effort I must commend you, for I am aware of how difficult it must have been to put together such an issue with a skeleton staff. While your efforts were pleasing; certain items in the paper were not, and it is the offensive nature of those items that I wish to address in this letter.

The items of which I speak appeared in the Annotated Guide to Howard University, and gave both improper and offensive "guidance" to new entrants and continuing students who deemed to take it seriously. For example, your definition of "b boys/girls" as native Washingtonians who stood out among a group of Howard students simply smacked of snobbery and did nothing to settle the "anomaly" that you claimed exists between native Washingtonians and "others."

What you have succeeded in doing is making the natives of the District seem and feel like outsiders; while the new entrants who must share a room or interact with a Washingtonian will resort to excessive paranoia until they have steered their way through the cobwebs of gross exaggeration and sweeping generalizations that you have used to describe the natives of the city we must all call home.

I must also comment on your remarkably sexist and archaic definition of the Med-Dent Library as a place where female students go in pursuit of an "Mrs" degree. Once again you have succeeded in offending a large segment of your readers. Pursuit of the opposite sex is not confined to women. Men, too, are also active participants in this art, and they strangely enough were not mentioned. You have painted an unfavorable picture of women as "money hungry" creatures who attend universities, not to attain an education, but a man. Mind you not just any man, but a "wealthy doctor or dentist please." Has it not occurred to you that there are hundreds of women enrolled in the medical and dental school (as well as other health science curricula) who are in pursuit of not their first but second degree, and are indeed serious about an education. Eight years of higher education and more than \$6,000 in tuition is certainly the steep road to take to get a man. It truly galls me that you have chosen this method to belittle the efforts and progress these women are making by reducing them to flighty people who are "all about getting a man." Sexism abounds in all walks of life, and especially in male dominated health fields. Sexist attitudes do not need to be reinforced by derogatory comments such as yours. Shame on you! You have added insult to injury by claiming that they have chosen their fields for the express purpose of getting a man.

Leaving that point, it is on to your very arguable definition of Greeks as the upper echelon on campus. To the best of my knowledge, there is no hierachial system on this campus that places Greeks at the top. Unless of course you speak of one made up by the Greeks themselves, and that wouldn't be quite fair would it? One, afterall, shouldn't blow ones own trumpet.

Someone wise once said, that one

man's junk is another man's treasure.

Thus, what is the upper crust to you might quite possibly be the lower class to me. Please clarify if there is another treasured quality besides greekness which only these people possess that places them above the non-Greeks. Seemingly, if greekdom was the ultimate accomplishment one could attain, then perhaps more people would endeavor to reach those heights. And inspite of the Greeks, shall we say, selectivity, then more than a mere 2 percent of the Howard community would be Greek. Being Greek, contrary to Greek belief, does not catapult one to lasting fame nor to the upper echelon on campus. That is indeed a myth, and one we must attempt to snuff out.

Finally, I must comment on your description of the United National Bank as "where not to bank." Is that why you solicited a full page advertisement from them? You are either guilty of hypocrisy or biting the hand that feeds you. Which is it?

I have tried to reassure myself that these items were meant to be taken in jest, but have failed miserably. Nevertheless if that was indeed your intention, you must keep in mind that

what may be humorous to you may be offensive to someone else. While I am aware that as the Editor-in-Chief, you are ultimately responsible for the contents of the newspaper, I also realize that you can not be cognizant of everything that will appear in it. Thus, errors as well as comments that (a) were not meant to be offensive or (b) were not seen by you, do slip by. I sincerely hope, but doubt that this was the case. Although I have been critical, I do wish to leave you with a snail, perhaps comforting thought:

Do not be hurt, be not surprised, If what you do is criticized... Mistakes are made we can't deny But only made by those who try.

You have at least tried. While I consider the above offenses mistakes on your part, I do wish to applaud your efforts and to encourage you to continue in your pursuit of responsible journalism.

Karen Samuels
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They had no choice

Howard students owe the University 16.5 million dollars, 79 percent of the school's entire deficit, which totals 21 million dollars. To offset this calamity, the Board of Trustees has implemented the infamous new Deferred Payment Plan.

The revamped policy requires full payment of housing fees, all other University fees and half of the tuition as well as a fifty dollar deferred payment charge. Although students have expressed their dismay with this policy, recent government cuts have forced the Trustees into action.

The tools have always been in place to collect delinquent accounts, but were never implemented in a wide spread fashion until now. Because of continuous financial coddling by the government, the University has become complacent with massive spending, never thinking of what would occur if the funds were withdrawn or entertaining thoughts of true financial independence. So, when the cuts finally came and Howard's portion of the pie shrunk, the mad scramble for cash resulted in pointed fingers at the largest and most obvious debtors: the students.

Yes, brethren, we have seen the enemy and it is us. Although the University has not been absolutely efficient in its financial practices,

there still is no excuse for renigging on one's debts.

It is a bitter pill to swallow, but for the sake and longevity of the institution, we must do our part in rectifying the mistakes of our predecessors in order to ensure the opportunities of those who would follow us.

This will not be an easy task for some to meet, and many will not return. But in order to relieve the University of this dependence on hand-outs, it must first stop giving them out. "Neither a borrower nor a lender be" should the Department of Fiscal Affairs motto for the 1990's.

It is essential for the University considering its relationship to the black community that it now establish wise financial principals and a strong capital base. With the two, we can take the University's business ventures from the red to the black, find keen administrators, hire prestigious professors for our faculty, attract the brightest students to our classrooms and the finest athletes to our fields.

Considering the paltry portion of the actual net worth of the education we receive at Howard, it should be easy for us to keep into perspective how fortunate we really are.

The university took the only logical and responsible course of action. We must either comply... or apply ... somewhere else.

Furniture follies

Amidst the controversy surrounding Howard's financial malaise, it is comforting to know that the administration is continuing with its efforts to bring the university's dormitories into the 20th century. Being that the school is \$21 million in the red, the administration had the wherewithal to purchase brand new furniture for Meridian Hill, arguably the dorm in the greatest state of disrepair.

Unfortunately, for the residents of Meridian, the furniture delivered in many cases mirrored the dilapidation of the building in which it was installed. Dresser drawers were improperly constructed and desk lamps refused to switch on or off, for example.

But, to the chagrin of the powers that be who formulated the replacement of the old furniture with the new, it seems that the company contracted to remove the old furniture, which incidentally was not the same company that delivered the new furniture, had a lawn sale of sorts in front of the dormitory and sold back to numerous students, pieces of furniture that the school deemed as worthless.

The planners of the furniture swap never con-

ceived that perhaps they could gain a windfall from the used furniture instead of just dumping it. And although all of the furniture was not sold off to crowds of eager bargain seekers, the lesson remains valid, in the midst of financial disrepair, as it did in the 18th century when Ben Franklin said "A penny saved is a penny earned." While pennies, though on their own, are piddling in light of the millions owed by Howard, the fact that the school's purse strings have not been tightened on the most fundamental level of spending is endemic of the lackadaisical attitude taken towards spending money efficiently here.

The story of Meridian furniture makes a funny tale in the short analysis. But, what happened there one may daresay has happened on a much larger scale and threatens again on the horizon. How many thousands of dollars have been lost through examples the largesse of some workers in the Administration Building one can only guess. But one can hope the the wails of students unable to return, of teachers unpaid for weeks on end will waft to that persons ears while he throws more money out the window.

Op-Ed

Stanley Verrett

Where did you get them eyes?

Oprah Winfrey wears them. Whoopi Goldberg wears them contradictorily under a head full of dreadlocks. Local television J.C. Hayward delivers the news each evening sporting hers. Janet Jackson wears them, to do a substantial number of Howard University students.

I'm speaking of course, of the latest controversial fad to hit this campus - colored contact lenses.

The lenses, which retail for "about \$300" according to one wearer, are popping up all over, in various hues - from hazel to Aryan blue. The lenses are used by many people who suffer from sight disorders, but are also worn by others strictly as fashion accessories.

The lenses are the descendants of such other controversial fads as hair straighteners, hair weaves, and nose alterations, which some excuse as passing fads, but which other claim as reaffirmations of white standards of beauty.

So quite naturally, on a campus such as Howard's, where everyone but the most apathetic among us must take a stand one way or the other on these types of social issues, the rainbow eyes continue to wink, flirt, and roll everyday on the yard. On the other hand, other students have their eyes firmly fixed upon them, and are not at all happy with their fellow pupil's pupils.

"It's fake," said senior accounting major Vincent Valentine. "When you're trying to alter any part of your body, it's fake. There are people that you know who came back from summer vacation and they had these contacts trying to play them off like the

lenses were real."

Valentine is especially critical of students who wear "unnatural" shades of contacts. "A lot of students are getting blue eyes, and when you get blue eyes, you are trying to be white," he said.

Another student who wished to remain anonymous agreed, and said fad or no fad, the lenses aren't fashionable, and notes the popularity of the lenses among coeds.

"They do it (wear colored contacts) to try to look fly, but personally I think it looks nasty," he said.

"Your eyes look cloudy and I associate it with girls trying to be less black. They're belittling their own heritage. What's next? Are they going to bleach their skin?"

Kellye Shumate, a sophomore broadcast journalism major and former blue contact wearer who used to brag about having purchased her lenses "before Oprah got hers," said she stopped wearing them because of the negative self-image the lenses prompted.

"Initially I wore them because I wanted to prove my appearance and because I wasn't satisfied with the way I looked," Shumate said. "Unfortunately what happened was that instead of making me feel good about myself, I lost a great deal of self-confidence and I found myself becoming ashamed to look people in the eye."

The more popular the lenses became on campus, the less popular the lenses became to her.

"Your eyes are very personal and although you may have the same shade of eyes as someone else, there's always something that makes them

unique," she said. "But what I found was that there were people walking around with the same eye color as me, which made me feel less of an individual and more of a fake and a phony."

Shumate hits the nail on the head.

It is understandable that any sort of fashion statement is a matter of personal taste and that to a large degree, it's anything goes on the trendy Howard yard, but in this case anything has gone too far. The lenses, blue and green are more than just a fashion item and the implications flowing from them go farther than the eye can see. They represent a serious reaffirmation of the old adage that "White is right," and the voices of protest about them help the concerned among us to rest easy in the knowledge that we have not lost a total sense of our heritage as we pursue our educational goals.

Don't get me wrong. I don't plan to jump down the throat of the next person I see wearing the colored contacts. That is not my responsibility, and I do not agree in any way in using forcible means of getting a point across. What I will do the next time I see someone decked in his blue eyes strolling across main campus without a care in the world or any idea of what the lenses say beyond "I'm fly," is smile, and hope that sometime before graduation or departure, they realize that the eyes have it - whatever that means.

Stanley Verrett is a senior in the School of Communications.

EXCUSE ME, BUT ARE YOU WEARING CONTACTS OR ARE YOU JUST POSSESSED?



Troy Stephens

Old problems don't waver OSR

"I mention my experiences to encourage students who know that they have talent, but who feel they are not getting their just reward. Things have a way of evening out at Howard. Cream eventually rises to the top. That is why, notwithstanding my bittersweet memories of my Howard experience, I love the university." -- Joseph Perkins

Those words of a successful Howard University alumnus touched upon my innermost feelings as I recently worked my way through the tasks of an Old Student Returning. While waiting with a large group of students in Burr Gymnasium to validate my Certificate of Registration for Fall 1987, I read those words in the Hilltop. I realized that with all

the negatives associated with registration we often overlook the positive aspects of matriculating through the world's greatest university.

The world's greatest university? Yes! After all, I've just completed a period in my life when my sole reason for being was unquestionably to return to "the Mecca."

During this time I questioned my reasons for not achieving the level of academic success worthy of someone with my capabilities. Quite simply, I did not live up to my potential during my first two years of college. Am I alone in this scenario? Considering the comments of many students on the yard, and throughout the country, there's room for improvement in many of us. The time for improve-

ment is now.

The virtues of Howard are known to us all. Therefore, I'm convinced that the keys to success are within us - the individuals. We've all known people who consistently reach exceptional levels of success in their academic and personal endeavors. I've talked with and read the biographies of countless people who possess a special commitment to doing what it takes to be successful. During moments of silence I envision a journey through their minds.

These people know themselves. The truly successful have numerous attributes in common: sense of purpose, focus, vision, spiritual comfort, etc. They are patient. Patient in the sense that they are willing to sacrifice.

Discipline is ever present. For it is required in order to forego some of the pleasures of today in order that they might enjoy what tomorrow offers.

If they share a single principle that we all must incorporate into our own ways of thinking, it is the following: People who reach their highest potential take responsibility for their own destinies. They refuse to leave it in the hands of others.

Take responsibility for our own destinies? That's simple! A piece of cake.

What's the problem? The problem is we often fail to do just that.

It is, however, comforting to know that there are ample opportunities, both on and off campus, to take the lead in assuring success. This is ex-

emplified in the fact that the Howard University Marketing Club has embarked upon an effort that has potential to be a model for many campus organizations. According to club president, Chris Franks, the group's number one objective this school year is to assist all marketing majors in their effort to obtain internships, co-ops and full-time employment upon receiving their degrees.

Albeit a cooperative effort that requires the participation of students, faculty, administrative officials and corporations; it is a commendable goal that embodies the principle of taking responsibility for one's own destiny.

No. Life as a student is not easy. With the pending abolition of defer-

red payment, rising costs, and changes in the financial aid structure it won't get any easier.

Now is the time for action. Let us be honest and true to the mission of Howard University. Are we content with the state of our great institution?

Personally, I'm not dissatisfied with the current state of our university. If I were, I wouldn't be here. However my love for "the Mecca" is too great to settle for anything less than the achievement of our greatest potential. During my year of absence, I often took pride in the thought that I am not struggling to simply return to college, I'm struggling to return to HOWARD!!

Troy Stephens is an "old student returning" back to the School of Business.

Harold W. Hill

Proposition 48 = balls or books

Quite a bit of controversy continues to surround Proposition 48, a bylaw entered by the National Collegiate Athletic Association.

The proposition prohibits Division I freshman from participating in intercollegiate athletics if they do not meet the minimum academic requirements of a 2.0 grade point average in eleven core curriculum high school courses, and either a 700 on the Scholastic Aptitude Test, or 15 on the American College Test.

As this bylaw enters into its second year (it entered into its first year for Division II schools this past August 1st) complaints are still being lodged by coaches, parents, educators, and administrators, who state that the rule is "biased against minorities," that the SAT is "culturally biased" and made for "standard people" (not those from deprived backgrounds), and that because of the stringent ruling "ineligible student/athletes have been given up hope and not pursued an education."

These complainants, most of whom are black, are, whether they are aware of it or not, helping to perpetuate the widely held notion that blacks are intellectually inferior and/or academically incompetent. These minimum standards are about as low as can be required as far as entrance into an institution of higher learning is concerned and if a student cannot score at least a 700 on the SAT (350-math, 350-verbal) then that student's priorities are out of order.

The same philosophy goes for the 2.0 core-curriculum requirement. A 2.0 is equal to a "C" average in basic English, Math and science courses. No one should graduate from high school with anything less than a 2.0

in the basics, let alone gain entry into college.

Still, the complainants continue to attack what they feel is a racist system - a system that only requires sound training in the fundamentals to be a functional member of a very competitive society.

SAT is tantamount to the LSAT, GMAT, MCAT, Bar Exam, CPA Exam, or Medical Boards. Those complaining want everything the easy way and then wonder why graduates from smaller, black institutions have a difficult time being recruited and hired for solid positions in the public and private sector.

The reason is obvious, standards are constantly being lowered in order to adjust to the individual, instead of vice-versa. Student athletes are students first and foremost; that is the bottom line, that is the way it is, and no amount of griping about racism and injustices should change that. If anything, the standards are too low, at least on the SAT.

But the lawmakers of the NCAA have taken a lot into consideration and brought about the most reasonable requirements.

If the Black Race is ever going to get anywhere in this world, then we must prove we are capable of competing with the mainstream in this highly specialized society.

Arguments against items such as Proposition 48 force our people to rise above the mainstream challenges just to be on equal footing. By no means should incompetency be rewarded.

Harold W. Hill is a member of the Class of 1985.



Craig Bedford

Helping ourselves

The million dollar question that Howard students are forced to ask themselves year after year is, "Will I have enough money to register?"

Other mind boggling questions that plague students are "Will I receive financial aid?", or "Will the loan regulations once again change and eliminate me from the program?" If these questions are ever answered, then others arise such as "Where will I get money for books?"

Each year tuition increases and financial aid decreases. Each year more and more students are subjected to financial difficulties and each year we grin and bear it.

Yet the question still remains after all of the complaining about the "Howard Shuffle" how to rectify the situation and end the pervasive helplessness that all students feel at one time or another. When we have a problem, we seek solutions. Through life we have learned the process of elimination. If we need money and cannot get it from our parents we apply for it from formal institutions, and if they cannot assist us, we look toward these same three components for relief.

There is the danger though that a time will come when we won't be able to tap those sources for funds. Then we must look at ourselves to help ourselves, to look beyond the "three components" to seek ways to better ourselves as well as other students in need of financial assistance. To that end, on Wednesday September 23, The Howard University Student Association is having a special election proposing a referendum on "The

Self-Help Program." It is to be established by and for students, with student funds to assist all currently enrolled Howard students who are in financial need. The funding for this program will come from a \$5.00 fee paid by all full and part-time students. The money will be pooled to form a set-up like the emergency loan system administered by Financial Aid, the major difference being that the only criteria to receive the fund is that you be a currently enrolled Howard student.

Other aspects of this program are that the maximum amount that a student may receive at the start, \$300.00, will be raised every 4 years by \$100.00 to meet tuition increases as well to keep pace with inflation. If approved, monies will be made available to students as early as the upcoming Spring semester. The fund is continuously replenished every year and will be governed by HUSA. Any modifications in this fund can only be made by receiving the signatures of one-third of the enrolled students at Howard.

It should be noted that 50 percent of the monies received from the activity fee will go towards a principal investment into a financial institution with the remainder allocated for loans each year. The principal investment is the long term objective; after having this money in the bank for a given number of years, the interest earned will make a significant addition to the loans fund.

Craig Bedford is HUSA vice-president.

Tempo



By Gale Mitchell
Hilltop Staff Reporter

"Bad" swarms airwaves

be inevitable. "As Moses parted the Red Sea, people look to see what Jackson is going to do next. People must judge each project on its individual merit."

WHUR disc jockey, Andy York, said the album is in "heavy rotation" meaning that it is requested and played often.

Not only is the album doing well on the radio but also in record stores.

Susan Tayler, rock album buyer for Tower Records, said "We bought at least 600 or 700 copies of *Bad* and they sold well, but we did not have the crowds, lines or hysteria we expected."

"The album is really selling well," said Sean Pilott, manager at Kemp Mill Records. "Sales in cassette and compact disc are the best."

Howard students have their own opinions about Jackson's new album.

"I don't think the album is overexposed because he hasn't come out with anything in a while," said Jana Hutchinson, a freshman in the School of Communications.

Ben Ramsey, School of Business sophomore, said, "It's been three and one-half years since his last album. And he is one of the top performers. From the sound of the album, I don't think he has been overexposed."

However, some students had negative opinions about the album and Jackson's image.

"It's not going to go as well as *Thriller*," said Adrienne Hall, a junior in the School of Business. "Jackson has done better and *Bad* is a disappointment." She also said the image he portrays is getting more effeminate.

Epic records will not release sales figures of Michael Jackson's new *Bad* album until it reaches numbers one, reach number one on *Billboard* music magazine's charts, says Epic officials. According to a recent article in the *Washington Post*, the album is being given two weeks to come in at number one. At that time sales figures will be released to simulate an almost mystical climb to the top of the charts.

Jackson's other solo efforts have topped the charts. *Off the Wall* sold five million copies in the U.S. alone. As of June 1, *Thriller* has sold 38 million copies worldwide. The single released off Jackson's new album, *I Just Can't Stop Loving You*, has reached number two on the *Billboard* Hot Singles Charts.

Local radio stations reported heavy airplay of *Bad*.

"It is beyond a doubt the most requested album," said Greg Digg, music director for radio station WKYS. "He has matured musically and there is an evolution in his style from *Thriller* to *Bad*. To be honest, I was not impressed with *Thriller*, but it grew on me. When I heard this album I was impressed. There's an evolution of his style from *Thriller* to *Bad*," he said.

Chris Barry, music director for radio station, WDJY said, "The album is doing extremely well at our station." He said that comparisons between *Bad* and *Thriller* are going to

Fashion Frenzy: Students sport latest fashions; Designer apparel popular

By Angelique Stewart
Hilltop Staff Reporter

Either taking care of business or congregating with friends, Howard students are as fashionable as ever.

"Howard fashion seems to be as splashy and expensive as always," says Carla Gardner, a junior in the

School of Communications. "Girls are wearing the oversized look and summer dresses are popular," Gardner has the conviction that "Louis Vuitton is popular, but tacky on campus."

Pants have given way to skirts ranging in lengths from mid-thigh to the ankle, according to fall fashion magazines.

Many of the men on campus are looking more trendy and posh wearing baggy shirts paired with baggy, tapered trousers of silk and cotton blends. According to this month's *Gentlemen's Quarterly* magazine, Italian loafers are the perfect conclusion to this style.

"I like designer Bill Johnson. His English cut jacket is nice," said Sam Sullivan, a junior in the College of Liberal Arts. He went on to say that earthtones and plaids will be big on campus this fall and winter.

However, Terrence Brown, a junior in the School of Engineering, brings another part of male fashion to light. He says, "Clothes must be nice, nothing cheap, and no



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polyester." He also sees Diadora tennis shoes in the forecast and says, "The 'fucked' wide ties of the 40's are back."

Look for gloves for women, for day and evening, to become fashionable again; another 40's trend revived. Lace, leather and linen will be the rave.

For those more daring women, put high hems and pumps on top of your fashion list. Top it off with an oversized coat and a hat to turn all the heads.



Photo by Francino Crowelle, Jr.

Spike Lee previews new film to Howard students

By Gale Mitchell
Hilltop Staff Reporter

Independent film producer Spike Lee previewed his soon to be released film, *School Daze* to a selected college audience last Thursday night at the Circle Ten Theater.

"We came here because Howard is the closest black school to New York," said Lee. He said that 75 percent of the preview audience was from Howard and the remaining 25 percent were from American and Georgetown Universities.

He said the film was not open to

review by the press because the project had not been completed.

The film is being financed by Columbia Pictures. Island Pictures financed his former project, *She's*

"We came here because Howard is the closest black school to New York."

Gotta Have It, which grossed \$8.5 million.

"We are going to actively seek the support of the student press when the

film opens on Feb. 12 of next year," said Lee.

The audience's reaction to *School Daze* were of differing opinions.

Rhonda DeCastro, a sophomore in the school of Liberal Arts said, "The movie was good. *School Daze* showed the supposed difference between the thinking patterns of light skin black people and dark skin black people."

Paul Johnson, a junior in Liberal Arts, said "I couldn't identify with anyone in the movie and I didn't particularly care for it." However, he added that he liked the originality."

A Howard student, who asked not

to be identified, said the movie was not what he expected. "The movie exposed the divisions in color in the black race and we need to close the gap between high yellow and dark people."

Casting problems have kept the film from reaching the theaters sooner. In February, Vanessa Williams walked off the set after being cast in the lead. Lee was forced to recast.

The film was previously scheduled for release in November 1987.

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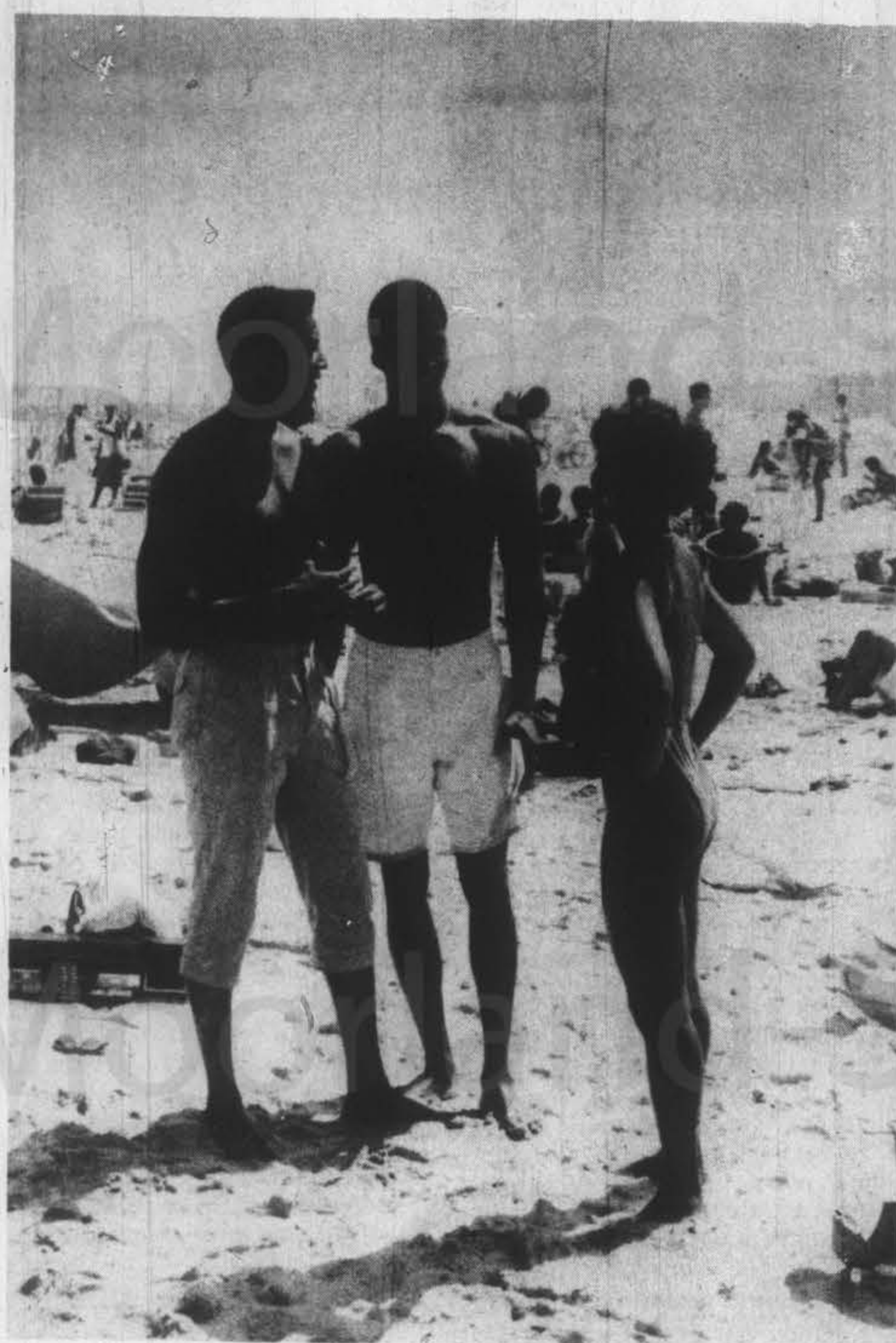
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Va. Beach vacationers

After a rainy and dreary weekend, college student from Howard and other universities decided to have some fun in the sun. Labor Day weekend is usually the last chance to enjoy warm weather. This was a time to meet old friends and make new ones before taking on academics. Thousands of students took advantage of this holiday at Virginia Beach.



Stars of "The Untouchables."

Summer leftovers: Comedies and dramas stand on top of season's must-see movie list

Gale Mitchell
Hilltop Staff Reporter

Summer movies seem to come to the theater in droves every year. Some films are silly or teen oriented, while other are serious motion pictures. Listed below are mini-reviews of some movies released over the summer months.

Robocop- Dutch director Paul Verhoeven deserves praise for his work in this futuristic thriller about a mechanical vigilante in crime-ridden Detroit. The films use of satire and dark humor will make it a classic. The violence, although brutal, is not unnecessary in the theme of the movie.

Predator- Arnold Schwarzenegger's latest film about a creature from another world happens to be exactly like all of his other pictures. The only originality is the crafting of the alien who seems out of place in this movies.

The Untouchables- This Brian DePalma picture shows the legendary battle between gangster Al Capone and Treasury Department agent Eliot Ness. The movie is excellent and not to be missed.

Disorderlies- It might be retitled "The Fat Boys mimic the Three Stooges". The best performers in forgettable *Krush Groove* don't pull their weight in this one. You might take your little brother or sister to see this film. **Full Metal Jacket**- Stanley Kubrick's film has been unable to escape comparison with Oliver Stone's *Platoon*.

Jacket doesn't seem to use the personal touch of *Platoon*. Kubrick's camera is more of an observer than a participant in the war festivities. This difference does not mean that *Jacket* lacks the substance to make it a winning film.

Hamburger Hill- When once more than one film is released on the same subject, it begins to get monotonous. *Hamburger Hill* comes across as a very shallow piece of filmmaking. The brutality of the Vietnam war was present in large amounts and someone left out a decent story line. **La Bamba**- The tragic story of 50's rocker Richie Valens is a well directed

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Scene from "Hamburger Hill."

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Health



Losing weight is mental, health specialist reports

By Sophia Tignor
Hilltop Staff Reporter

In order to say thin, one must really "think thin" - or that old fat mentality will soon reappear and so will the pounds. There are five fitness myths that can sabotage weight-loss efforts. Recognizing and defeating these thinking patterns will help in overcoming some of the basic fears about fitness.

In an article in the March issue of *New Woman* magazine Elizabeth Lay, health specialist and author, states that, "People who diet think of exercise exclusively in terms of physical benefits; it helps you to get in shape and burns off calories quick-

ly." In her book entitled, *Thinning from the Inside Out: The Proven Personal Approach to Permanent Weight Loss*, she says that, "Once you are no longer overweight, you should think of exercise and fitness not just in terms of your weight, but in terms of the contribution to your overall emotional well-being."

According to Lay, there are five myths about exercise and fitness; being aware of them will help in overcoming fears and resistance in this area. The myths are:

1.) "You have to exercise in order to lose weight." The truth is you don't have to. "During your normal daily activities," said Lay. "Your

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Venereal disease cases on the rise

By Sophia Tignor
Hilltop Staff Reporter

"Sexually transmitted diseases (STDs) are a leading American health problem. Of all infectious diseases STDs may be second in frequency only to the common cold."

This quote came from a pamphlet by Dr. D. E. Whitley who serves as a clinical professor in the Department of Family Practice and Community Medicine at The University of Texas Health Science Center, Southwestern Medical School, Dallas, Texas.

"A sexually transmitted disease," said Dr. Whitley, "is any disease that is spread by various sexual practices between sexual partners."

VD stands for "venereal disease." STDs and VD are the same thing—a group of very contagious diseases that can be passed from one person to another by close physical contact, as in intercourse.

The ten most common STDs are syphilis, chlamydia, gonorrhea, herpes simplex virus II, AIDS, hepatitis, venereal warts, public lice, scabies and trichomoniasis.

Janet Diggs, an assistant supervisor at the Howard University Health Center said: "Students at Howard are treated for a wide range of STDs. I imagine probably that chlamydia and trichomoniasis are the most commonly treated."

Chlamydia is a highly contagious virus-like infection that causes urinary and reproductive organ infections. It is caused by close sexual contact and can be carried by the hands to the eyes.

Trichomoniasis is an infection caused by tiny parasites that live in moist places in the body. It occurs in both men and women. It is also caused by sexual contact and can be spread by damp wash cloths, towels and bathing suits shared with an infected person. The parasite can live outside the body for seven hours.

According to Dr. Whitley, confidentiality is a major concern when people go to be treated for a STD. "Hospitals and doctors are required by state law to report venereal diseases to public health authorities," he said.

"General health authorities attempt to preserve your anonymity as they contact your partners," he added.

Confidentiality is also a concern at Howard's Health Center. "We try not to make it complicated," said Diggs, "the Health Center is free and open and confidential for students to come and feel comfortable."

Dr. Whitley said: "One-fourth of all sexually active females have trichomonas. Fifteen million Americans already have Herpes II."

According to Diggs there is an

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NUMBER OF NEW INFECTIONS EACH YEAR

STD	FREQUENCY
Chlamydia	More than 3,000,000
Trichomonas	3,000,000
Gonorrhea	3,000,000
PID	1,000,000
Veneral Warts	1,000,000
Herpes II	500,000
Hepatitis B	200,000
Syphilis	100,000



Photo by Francisco Crowelle, Jr.

Dr. Lasalle Leffall, chairman of the Department of Surgery at Howard University College of Medicine.

Book aids in funding of black medical schools

By Janella Newsome
Hilltop Staff Reporter

Top black medical schools will receive funding from the profits of the recently published book *A Century of Black Surgeons: The USA Experience*, which features the accomplishments of numerous Howard physicians, past and present.

"The purpose of giving the profits to the black colleges is to upgrade educational efforts at those institutions," said Dr. Leffall Jr., professor and chairman of the Department of Surgery at Howard's College of Medicine.

In the July 13 edition of the *Capstone*, Leffall said that the book was "The most comprehensive update of the contributors of blacks to the field of general and thoracic surgery of the past century."

Contributors to the study besides Leffall include staff at Howard University Hospital: Dr. Burke Syphax, Dr. Charles H. Epps, Jr., Dr. William E. Matory, and Dr. Montague Cobb. Co-editor of the book is Dr. Claude H. Organ, professor of surgery at the University of Oklahoma and the first black chairman of the American Board of Surgery since its inception in 1937.

"Dr. Organ thought it was essential that somebody put in writing

what black surgeons contributed to medicine in the past century," said Leffall.

Dr. Organ accomplished his dream. He and other black surgeons have written a book containing biographical studies of black U. S. surgeons, including those who were first certified in each surgical specialty. The book includes a directory of practicing surgeons and membership lists for major surgical societies.

Despite Dr. Organ's accomplishments as the first black chairman of a department of surgery within a predominantly white institution and of the American Board of Surgery, he knew he could not accomplish his dream alone. "This is where the surgery staff of Howard and myself paid a very important role," said Leffall.

Following publication, several of the surgeons worked toward promotion of the book. "It was advertised well at the National Medical Association and in the Medical Alumni News and *Ebony* magazine," said Leffall.

The book is dedicated to Dr. W. Montague Cobb, Ph.D. "He deserves the honor," said Leffall, "and rightfully so because he has contributed more than any other person in medicine."

Cobb is a distinguished professor emeritus at the Howard University

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Sports



Doug Lewis and Darryl Henderson.

Trio wins medals

By Darlene Ellis
Hilltop Staff Reporter

Doug Lewis, Darryl Henderson and Brian Parker, three members of the Howard University Taekwondo Club, won medals this summer in the Pan American Games and the U.S. Olympic Festival.

The Pan American Games were held August 7-23 in Indianapolis, Indiana and Lewis won a gold medal in the Bantam weight class (118-128 lb.). Lewis is a graduate of Howard and still actively participates in the club. Advancing by single elimination with fights against Puerto Rico, Bolivia and Paraguay, Lewis won in the finals against Canada with a score of 1-1½.

To prepare for the games, Lewis trained at the Olympic Training Center in Colorado for one month. Members of the national team from Italy also trained and participated in the 5-6 hour a day workouts.

In competition, there are three, three minutes rounds and between rounds there is a one minute rest period.

The preparation for fights is both "mental and physical," said Henderson. Although Lewis agrees, he said that the "mental aspect is much more important because you have to have confidence to win."

Henderson, a 1983 graduate participated in the U.S. Olympic Festival held July 24-26 in North Carolina. In the Featherweight class (128-140 lb.), Henderson won a gold medal by scor-

ing 2-1 over his opponent in the finals.

To be effective, "you have to clear your mind of any outside influence," said Henderson, who was also the 1984 National Champion.

Parker, a sophomore, competed in the festival and won a silver medal in the lightweight category (140-154 lb.). This marks the first win for him as an adult.

In 1985, Parker won a gold medal in the U.S. Junior Olympics. Although Parker started at the age of twelve, he has only been competing for two years.

All three of the medalists hope to participate in the 1988 Olympics where Taekwondo is being introduced as a demonstration sport. To qualify, they must be one of the top four winners in the U.S. National Championship and go on to compete in the olympic team trials. In the trials one winner in each of the eight classes then qualifies to compete in the olympics.

"Our strong point is the guidance we get from Dr. Yang," said Henderson. Dr. Yang is President of the Pan-American Union for Taekwondo, which consist of 38 countries. Dr. Yang is also an instructor in the Department of Physical Education at Howard.

In Dr. Yang's class, Henderson learned the Korean Martial Art and later joined the club. The instruction of Dr. Yang has allowed Henderson to compete with others who started fighting at an earlier age.

MEAC talent fierce

By David DaCosta
Hilltop Staff Reporter

The Howard University Football team has been picked by a poll of Mid-Eastern Athletic conference head coaches and Sports Information directors to win the 1987 league football championship. The Bison ended last season with seven consecutive wins and a second place MEAC finish, collected 13 of 16 first place votes and accumulated 154 of the maximum 160 points. Delaware State College, winners of the 1985 title, finished second in the voting with the two first place and 112 total points to edge defending champion North Carolina A&T State University who collected the other first place vote and totaled 110 points. South Carolina State finished fourth with 50 points, Bethune-Cookman College was fifth with 47 points, and Morgan State University was sixth with 23 points.

DELAWARE STATE
The Delaware State Hornets returned the most balanced team in the MEAC last season. The Hornets averaged 372 yards per game on offense and led the league in defense allowing 305 yards per game.

A talented running game, a huge offensive line, a veteran defensive front, and an excellent kicking game make the Hornets just as tough now as in recent years. Their trouble spots are in the quarterback, wide receiver, and linebacking positions.

NORTH CAROLINA A&T STATE
The N.C. A&T Aggies will try to repeat the best season in the schools history. The top returning players include Sporting News pre-season All-American Alan Hooker. The 6'2" 197 pound senior quarterback led the MEAC in total offense (196.4 ypg). Passing, (149 of 244 for 1782 yards and 16 touchdowns. Senior Stoney Polite returns at fullback and George McClean at tailback. Polite led the team in rushing with 811 yards and 13 TD's on 169 carries. Hookers primary target will be junior flanker Anthony Best. Best had 35 catches for 390 yards and four TD's. The Aggies offensive and defensive lines are

questionable and need attention.
SOUTH CAROLINA STATE
The South Carolina State College Bulldogs find themselves in the unfamiliar bottom half of MEAC teams. The team is predicted to finish fourth.

The Bulldogs have young and untested players in key positions. Junior quarterback Tyrone Gilmore will probably start. Last season Gilmore attempted only 8 passes all season. The Dogs will look to an aggressive and deep running game led by seniors Mike Summers, William Dubose, James Miller, and Anthony Burgess. The Bulldogs look for a big year from sophomore tailback Zack Whitley. S.C. State also possesses the best tight end in the league in all MEAC selection senior Robert Tyler.

The Bulldogs need offensive line help and linebacking help. Opponents outscored S.C. 229 to 223 last season.
BETHUNE-COOKMAN

The B-CC Wildcats will try to rebound from last seasons disappointing 3-8. B-CC graduated 11 starters from their team, most of them were from the defensive unit. The Wildcats led NCAA Division IAA in team defense, and was second in the MEAC in total defense (307 ypg).

B-CC boast two 1000 yard passers in senior Greg Ross and junior Anthony Thomas. The Wildcats top returning running back will be junior Kevin Finnie, who gained 808 yards on 180 carries and seven TD's.

This team will not have any problem scoring but stopping the opposition will be tough. A young defensive line make the Wildcat defense very vulnerable.
MORGAN STATE

This could be the year the Morgan State Bears find their way out of the MEAC cellar and start restoring a once proud football tradition. The Bears return 21 starters from a year ago. The Bears employ the wing-t offense.

The defense is led by All-MEAC selection Alton Gowdy, and Sporting News preseason All-American Vernon Beard.

Bison look toward winning

By Zackery P. Burgess
Hilltop Staff Reporter

The Howard University Football Team finds itself in a very uncanny situation this year. After so many years of being picked as the underdog of the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference the Bison now find themselves as the pre-season favorite to win the MEAC. Coach Willie Jeffries said that he "expects to win", but also said that "it is a lot of pressure when people expect you to win the championship, and he hopes not to disappoint anyone", and that he tells his players to "take one game at a time, because statistics do not show everything." The Bison are presently on a seven game winning streak returning 19 starters, 11 on offense, and 8 on defense.

The Howard University football team has a speed-dive-option offense that averaged 32 points a game last season, and 411 yards total offense a game. This offense became one of the most exciting football offenses to watch last season.

The man to watch this season is all-American candidate Harvey Reed. This man was liable for 1,386 yards, which was fifth in the nation, a 138 yard-per-game rushing average, and 18 touchdowns. Reed owns almost every rushing and scoring record in Bison history, and needs only 494 yards to become the MEAC all time leading rusher.

Lee Debose is another important factor in this dive-option football team. Lee Debose is considered the field general of the team. The 5-9, 160 pound junior quarterback passed for 990 yards and 13 touchdowns last season and also rushed for 539 yards. Fullback Ronnie Epps should also be a major part of the offense. His blocking, and short yardage running were crucial in tight situations. The 5-10, 215 pound senior rushed for 474 yards, and 4 touchdowns in the Bisons' 8-3 season last year.

The wide receivers will also be looked at very closely this year. 6-3, 205 pounder Derrick Faison will be looked upon as a threat when ever his hands touch the ball. As a freshman last season, Derrick Faison caught 18 passes, nine for touchdowns. Faison totaled 499 yards last season, an average of almost 28 yards per catch. Senior Curtis Chappell had 16 catches for 201 yards, and 4 touchdowns. Jimmie Johnson returns at tight end this season after averaging a little over 12 yards per catch, catching 15 passes and two touchdowns.

The offensive line averages 290 pounds, and should provide adequate protection for Debose and should be able to open large holes for Reed, and the other backs. Dwight Bruson has been moved from center to guard, and the rest of the Offensive line is in good shape with Todd Meiklejohn returning to center after two seasons



Photo by Keith Leadbetter

Coach Jeffries councils a team member at practice.

of nagging injuries. Garry Martin will be starting at left tackle, Pat Boyd at left guard, and Roy Pierson at right tackle.

The defense has come a long way compared to its days when the defense was near the bottom of the conference. The Bison defense was first in scoring defense last season in the MEAC allowing 18.2 points per game, and second in rushing defense allowing a 148 yards per game.

The defense returns nine starters. The defense curtain will be manned by second team all-MEAC pick Billy Dore who finished last season with 42 tackles, and 4 sacks. Eric Moore

has been moved from the offensive line. This 6-2, 310 pound senior is said to be the perfect sized defensive tackle with speed that definitely shows he can handle the job (4.9 in the 40-yard dash).

The linebackers on this football team are probably the best unit the defense has to offer. Leading the corps will be Marvin Jackson a 5-11, 210 pound senior was injured most of last season, and still recorded 84 tackles.

The secondary probably considered a place where Howard needs work, returns a relatively young unit, Continued on page 13

Beale travels Europe on basketball tour

By Charlisa Holloway
Hilltop Staff Reporter

Can you imagine spending your summer vacation, not working in a dreary office, but travelling around Europe for seven weeks playing basketball? Well that is exactly what Darlene Beale, the Lady Bisons' star center did. She and nine other female basketball players from colleges and universities across the nation formed the News Release basketball squad and for seven weeks, ventured to Switzerland, France, Germany, Yugoslavia, Czechoslovakia, Austria, Holland, Belgium and Italy. In Germany they played American service members and in the other countries they were pitted against local teams and sometimes invited to various tournaments. The team added a different twist to the games they played. During half time, with the help of translators, they would share the word of Christ with the audience. Beale said that the spectators were, "...very polite. No one booed us or anything, in fact, the people in Belgium were very interested and asked a lot of questions."



Darlene Beale

Beale stated that she learned quite a bit during her European tour, especially when visiting East and West Berlin. When talking about the wall that separates East and West Berlin, Beale said, solemnly, that she would "...never forget that wall. Even when we were in

Czechoslovakia and Yugoslavia I began to appreciate everything (that) I have. I mean here I am crying over my broken walkman and they have probably never seen one."

During the trip Beale ran into some unexpected surprises. For instance, she was surprised to see so many Americans. Especially Black Americans, living in West Germany. In fact, she even ran into a former high school classmate. She was also caught off guard when she met an old friend in an Italian basketball tournament.

For many Howard basketball fans it comes as no surprise that this Brooklyn native would be chosen as a News Release basketball player. For the past three years Beale has been the focal point for the Lady Bisons' basketball team. In fact one fan jokingly stated, "They (the players) have six plays; five designed for Beale." All joking aside, Beale is probably one of the best athletes, male or female, to pass through Burr gym. She has helped carry the team to two MEAC championships. She averages approximately 17.9 points and 16.3

rebounds per game. Last season, as a junior, she was awarded for making her 1000th point and capturing her 1000th rebound. Her rebounding feat has never before been duplicated. She is a two-time MEAC player of the year, and a three-time All-MEAC player. One may ask, still has certain goals she wants to achieve. She would like to be the MEAC player of the year once again and maybe try out for the summer Olympic team, but ultimately she would like to be recognized by her white peers. "I've been the MEAC player of the year," she contends, "now I'd like to be all-American or say, the Kodak player of the year."

Nevertheless, this is Beale's last season to bring the Howard fans to their feet with her keen basketball savvy. In the future she plans to help the lady Bison as much as possible while pursuing her B.A. in marketing. For now you can see Beale, patiently and with great wisdom, leading "her girls" to another successful season.

Spikers, Booters meet first opponents for season

Spikers defeat Loyola convincingly in offensive battle; Freshman Arlinda Pierce leads veteran team in first win

By Charlisa Holloway
Hilltop Staff Reporter

The Bisonette Spikers used impressive combinations of spiking and setting to defeat Loyola in Burr gym Wednesday evening. Even though the team has only three returning players, the Freshmen on the squad contributed greatly. First year coach Linda Spencer was pleased by her team's performance. She noted that they have, "...a long way to go..." but, "we look much better than when we first started." Arlinda Pierce, a freshman from New Orleans, was the spark plug the squad needed when their momentum was low. She and veteran spiker Stephanie Douglas connected to thrash Loyola with lightning bolt spikes. Howard's greatest asset was it's net play. Many times their strategically placed (dinks) found Loyola out of position and some surprisingly hard-hit spikes, from Marie Romulus' left hand, found the other team scrambling to get under the ball.

The Spikers won the first game 15-7.

The second and most exciting game saw the volleyball squad use skill, a lot of hustle and a little luck to come from behind and win 15-9. After a Loyola mistake, H.U. capitalized and fought inch by inch to make the score 10-9. Loyola's coach called a time out in order to slow down Howard's momentum and get their team back in the game. When the Spikers returned to the court veterans Stephanie Perry and Douglass each jarred the guests defense with ace spikes to seal the victory.

The third game ended in a 15-11 defeat of the Bisonettes. Howard began the game with 6-3 lead, but Loyola used a sneaky dink tactic to slowly build a lead. Even after a Howard timeout, with the score locked at 7-7, the Bisonettes began to rally back into the game with a double block on the net. Nicola Thompson's consistent serving helped bring the team up to an 11-11 tie, but the ladies could not hold on and they lost the game 15-11.

The final game was all Howard. The first five services of the game Continued on page 13

Booters fall in last minutes to Old Dominion U., 0-1, Defensive penalties take toll, set up game losing goal

By David DaCosta
Hilltop Staff Reporter

The Howard University Soccer team had to endure a tough loss as it opened its 1987 season. The Booters lost to The Old Dominion Monarchs 1-0. The Monarchs, who returned all 11 starters from a team that was ranked as high as 10th in the nation, scored the only goal of the contest with just under 4 minutes to go in the second half of regulation.

"It's a tough loss to take, but we had our opportunities," said Howard coach Keith Tucker. "I'm very pleased with my team, the guys showed me a lot," he added.

ODU pressed the action in the first minutes of the half. Good ball control and solid passing created two quick scoring opportunities for the Monarchs who came up short.

The Bison seemed tentative, as if trying to find their rhythm. "We wanted to come out fast against Howard. We wanted to get a couple of quick scores and then we could concentrate on our defense," said Monarch's forward Chris Haywood.

Howard's young defense rose to the occasion by driving off attacks mounted by ODU, then quickly counter attacking. The Booters started pressing with a relentless attack. ODU found it tough to check the faster Bison.

Howard had their opportunities to score late in the first half. Three separate opportunities in front of the goal mouth came up short. ODU defense seemed to bend but never break.

In the second half the Bison kept applying pressure to ODU's defense. Most of the game was now being played on the Monarchs side of the field.

Howard mid-fielder Sheldon Jones and forward Peter Issac created excellent scoring opportunities with fine passes in the opening minutes of the second half.

The action was fast and furious. Bison mid-fielder Waidi Akanni ran down the right sideline, he showed his excellent ball handling skills as he worked his way around defenders

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One win, loss for men's, women's tennis teams

By Darlene Ellis
Hilltop Staff Reporter

The Howard University men's tennis team started their season off with a bang scoring an 8-1 win over Mount Saint Mary's last Wednesday, at Banner Tennis Courts.

"They had a good start; we had a real boost out of freshmen, [Cedric] Crear and [Mark] Anderson," said coach Larry Strickland.

Singles matches were won by Bob Bryant [6-2, 5-7, 6-4], Robert Crawford [6-3, 6-1], Anderson [6-0, 6-3], Crear [6-3, 6-2]. Haywood

Willis lost his singles match 0-6, 1-6. Doubles matches were won by Bryant and Crear [6-3, 6-3], Willis and Anderson [2-6, 6-2, 6-2], and Crawford and Lewis [6-0, 6-2].

"I feel real good about the prospects this year," said Strickland. Added to this year's roster for the men are two transfers, Lewis and Tims, both juniors. "They give me some additional depth for the team," said Strickland.

New freshman members of the team are recruits, Anderson and Crear and walk-on, Jones. "Both Continued on page 13

By Darlene Ellis
Hilltop Staff Reporter

The Howard University women's tennis team opened up the season with a loss to Mount Saint Mary's, 5-0.

The coaches agreed to stop at a decisive victory because of a scheduling conflict with Intramural Tennis. Mayet Lopez was winning 6-5 when her match was stopped.

"We have a fairly young team with three freshmen, three sophomores and Kim [Oliver], with one semester

of experience behind her," said coach Larry Strickland. Oliver played her freshman year before there was a women's tennis team, along with senior Jill Wood. "Kim is a very strong player now; I can see she's a much improved player," he said.

The freshman players include Lisa Knazze, Christine Calhoun and Mayet Lopez. "They strengthen the team. I expect Mayet to do very well; at the top of the line-up," said Strickland who also noted that Calhoun is an excellent doubles player.

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Local go-go hall faces closing

By Retha Powers
Hilltop Staff Reporter

A popular go-go club for teenagers is awaiting a decision on a Sept. 8 hearing which could permanently close its doors.

Celebrity Hall, Georgia Avenue and Park Road, N.W., went before the Board of Appeals and Review last year concerning allegations of drug trafficking, violence, noise violations and car thefts caused by their patrons. The hall faces a possible revocation of its license.

The board deferred a notice (WHAT NOTICE AND WHEN) filed by the Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC)-1A which would have suspended Celebrity Hall's license for 180 days. Later it ordered District police, the ANC, residents and the owners of the establishment to hold a series of meetings to resolve their conflicts. Delores W. Tucker a 7-year Ward One Council member found the decision to be "an insult," stating that the board violated its role as an impartial agency.

The meetings were primarily organized by ANC-1A. Charles Smith, a representative of Celebrity Hall attended most meetings but declined when asked to address the police and residents. Celebrity Hall

held a meeting at the establishment but ANC members refused to attend because they felt it would be detrimental to their cause.

"We would have met them someplace neutral," said Tucker.

"Partially, as a result of the added conflict over the meeting place, many on both sides feel the meetings were a year and a half ago," said Lt. James Holloway.

Some community members who attended the Sept. 8 hearing support the hall.

"It's (Celebrity Hall) an asset to the community because it provides social activities for young people," said 25-year-resident Conrad Smith. "It's not open during the week and during the summer they had a Vacation Bible Class and gospel groups on Sundays. Go-go is only played on Friday and Saturday nights."

He added, "Drugs were a problem in the neighborhood before Celebrity Hall. I would not say the problem has been exacerbated by the presence of Celebrity. It was worse before it opened, the building was abandoned and kids used it to skip, his school...there was no control."

The fate of Celebrity Hall will be decided after the review board hears all testimonies of the defense. It will be announced in several weeks.

Howard University

1987-88 Football Schedule

Date	Opponent	Site	Time
SEPTEMBER			
12	Newberry College	Home	1:00 p.m.
19	Bethune-Cookman	Away	7:30 p.m.
26	South Carolina State	Home	1:00 p.m.
OCTOBER			
3	Open		
10	Townson State	Away	7:30 p.m.
17	Virginia State	Home	1:00 p.m.
24	North Carolina A&T	Away	1:30 p.m.
31	Norfolk State	Home	1:00 p.m.
NOVEMBER			
7	Morehouse*	Home	1:00 p.m.
14	Morgan State	Away	1:30 p.m.
21	Delaware State	Away	1:30 p.m.

*Homecoming



Preview

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but one which plans to assault opposing quarterbacks air display. Thomas Jones returns after tying for the team lead in interceptions with four. Walter Gaskin also had four pick-offs. The other starters, Anthony Davis and Willie "Spanky" Johnson had two interceptions apiece in '86.

On special teams, Chappell is considered a threat everytime he receives a kickoff, after averaging 31 yards per return, last season. That ranked him second in the nation in IAA last season. John Jarvis has been ade-

quate on kick returns averaging 23 yards per return. John Harvell will be the man handling punts [37.5 yards per punt, field goals and extra points, which accounted for 42 points in '86].

The Bison have definitely come of age after many, many losing seasons. Jeffries has gone to great lengths to make sure complacency, and cockiness do not set in. He has tried to make sure that his team understands the importance of why they are here at Howard University. Coach Jeffries says "athletics would never supersede scholarship here at Howard, and that his athletes are students first, athletes second." The Bison morale is glowing these days as, for the first time in years, the Howard University Bison are the preseason football team to beat.

Soccer

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and rocketed a shot over the crossbar.

The half progressed with the Bison, still applying offensive pressure, began to cheat a little on defense. After a Bison attack was stopped by ODU, Howard was slow to get back on defense.

The Monarchs capitalized in the form of 5' 4" Haywood who showed tremendous ball handling skills. He led a monarch counter attack that created three excellent scoring opportunities. The Bison quickly recovered.

Howard benefited from excellent play from fullback Frank Adams and reserve Herold Heath who covered Haywood. Goalender Barrington Watson played an exceptional game for the Bison registering 11 saves.

In the closing minutes of regulation

both teams seemed tired. The Booters looked like the stronger team, however, ODU received the break it was looking for. Howard was called for a penalty, and the Monarchs were awarded a penalty kick from the right side of Howard's goal. ODU quickly set and Haywood kicked the ball to Howard's goal mouth where junior Sean Crowley knocked in the game winner.

"We didn't react fast enough, it was just a lapse in concentration for us," said Sheldon Jones.

"No one covered the posts I was yelling to try and get them (the team) to guard both posts, but the play unfolded too fast," said Tucker.

"It's always a classic game between ODU and Howard. Howard has an extremely talented team and we are just glad to get out of here with the victory," Monarchs coach Mike Berticelli said.

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Women's

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Returning members of the team are sophomores, Kelley Wilson, Tamiko Jackson and Kathy Scott and senior Wood.

According to Strickland, the new additions to the team "make the doubles teams much more stronger" and the combined athletic ability will "give the team some room for growth."

Last fall the women finished their season with a record of 2-2 with losses against Washington and American.

Despite their loss on Wednesday, the women are expecting to have a great year.

Spikers

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were long rallies with both teams using a series of spikes and short sets over the net. Howard led the game at 8-0 before Loyola became a threat. The Spikers came back strongly and trailed by only four points before coach Spencer gathered her team on the sideline. Whatever she said motivated the players to work as a unit and convincingly win the game. Juniors Pierce and Douglas, once again, put icing on the cake with shocking spikes that caught Loyola flat-footed and ended the game, and match, with 15-6 victory. Hopefully this first win can motivate the women's volleyball to a successful season in 1987.

Prop. 48: helps pass athletes

By Ramona Brown
Hilltop Staff Reporter

A law passed last August may give college athletes a better chance of graduating, said William P. Moultrie, Howard University athletic director.

Proposition 48 requires college freshmen wishing to participate in a university sport to make a combined score of 700 on the SAT, 15 on the ACT and a cumulative grade point average of 2.0 after graduation from high school.

"Proposition 48 has had no impact on the athletic program at Howard because athletes are admitted just as

any other student," said Moultrie who is also a 14-year veteran coach.

Moultrie said that the proposition, devised by the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) and university presidents across the nation, was passed as a solution to the continual surge of college athletes that fail to graduate.

"Without a shadow of a doubt, men and women with the guidance and direction can, will and shall graduate - something that colleges may not provide but should provide," said Moultrie.

Moultrie recently devised the 30/30 Plan, a graduation scheme that requires athletes to successfully pass 15

credit hours per semester and at least six credit hours in a summer school program. After successful completion, an athlete will have the 126 credit hours needed to graduate from Howard.

According to some athletic experts Proposition 48 can help an athlete by allowing him to sit out during the freshman year of eligibility and concentrate on school. To help educationally disadvantaged students, the University's Center for Academic Reinforcement offers remedial courses for freshmen to teach them basic math, remedial english or study skills.

Tennis

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Mark and Cedric are excellent athletes; Mark is an all-around athlete and Cedric is an excellent doubles player," he added. "The experience of four returning people and the talent of a couple of new players is going to help us out."

Returning starters are team captain, Willis; junior, Bryant; sophomore, Crawford; and junior, Bowen. Willis was out most of the

spring season because of a shoulder injury, and Strickland added, "he's coming back slowly but he's still responsive."

Last fall the men had a record of 4-2 with losses to American and George Washington. "We are coming in this season a lot stronger than we did last year; we should improve over last year's record," said Strickland.

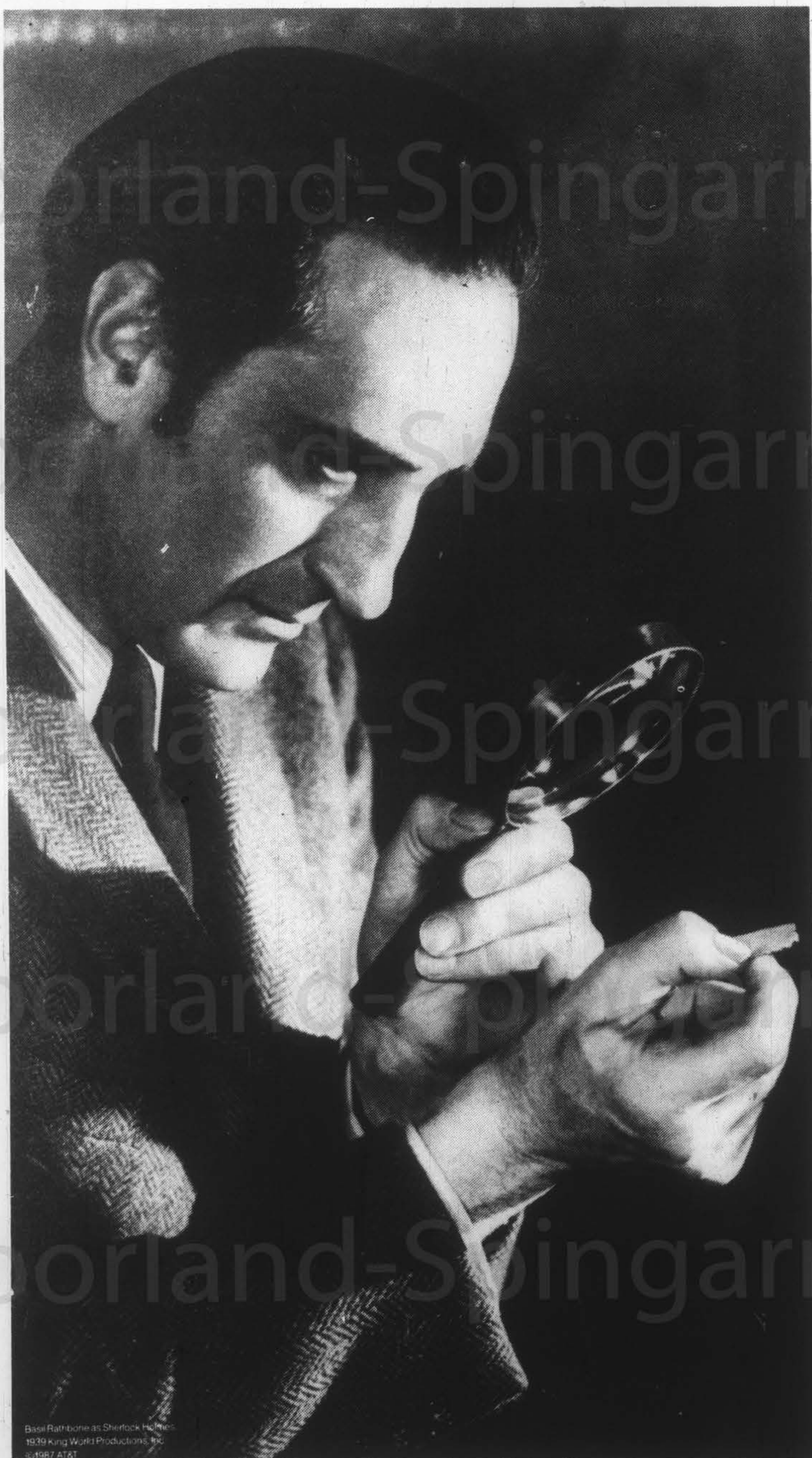
During the fall season, the men play teams in the Capitol Collegiate Conference [schools in the D.C. area] to prepare for MEAC play. Today the men face the Capitol Collegiate winners of last year, American, at Banneker Tennis Courts at 3:00 p.m.

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1987-88 Volleyball Schedule

Date	Opponent	Site
SEPTEMBER		
5	Naval Academy (Scrimmage)	Away
9	Loyola	Home
18-19	Bucknell	Away
23	Univ. of Maryland Eastern Shore	Home
30	Morgan	Home
OCTOBER		
5	Notre Dame of Baltimore	Home
7	Maryland	Home
9-10	Loyola of Baltimore	Away
13	American	Away
16-17	Florida A&M	Away
20	Georgetown	Home
23	Univ. of Maryland Eastern Shore	Away
27	George Mason	Away
30-31	Drexel Tournament	Away
NOVEMBER		
5-6	MEAC Championship	Home

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Comedians hide behind antics

By Gale Mitchell
Hilltop Staff Reporter

The wild antics of the three comedians at Armour J. Blackburn Center's "Comedy Nite" Tuesday had the crowd roaring and blushing.

Although their routines were sometimes offensive, the performers themselves were gentlemen off stage.

"Basic everyday stuff and life experiences influence my comedy" said "Alex," who asked to have his real identity undisclosed. He said his idols in the world of comedy are Richard Pryor and Bill Cosby.

"Insulting the audience is not part of my act," said Alex, who grew up in North Philadelphia, Pa.

"Most of the time, the first person who goes up has to fight the audience." "Insults are not something that I plan," he said, "I would like to do a complete act and not fight the audience."

"I'm not into physical violence unless provoked," said Alex, who also is a fourth degree black belt.

Blow Out and Fighting Man are two films featuring the acting talent of Alex. He wrote the script for the movie *The Furious One* and will be in the film, *Silent, But Deadly* to be released in October.

"Acting comes out in some of the things that I do," said Alex. He added that his shows are more or less acted out like his films.

"I love being on the road and I get bored after being in a certain area for a while," he said.

Alex has performed at Players Comedy Club in New Jersey and the Funhouse in Bethlehem, Pa.

Rocky Wilson, another comedian who performed that night said, "I keep joking all the time. I'm constantly looking for new material."

Wilson said that he gets most of his ideas for impressions from people on the street. "I met Eddie Murphy in Philadelphia where he filmed *Trading Places*," he said.

Wilson said that Franklin Ajaye, who was in the movie *Car Wash* is his favorite comedian and he also admires Bill Cosby.

Wilson, who lives in Chester, Pa., has performed at the Comic Strip in New York, the Comedy Factory Outlet in Philadelphia and the Comedy Cellar in Washington. "I've been in comedy since 1978 and I've worked harder crowds than the one tonight," he said.

Wilson has also toured with singing groups, the O'Jays, LeVert, and

Frankie Beverly and Maze.

"I've known the other two comedians, David E. Hardy and Alex, for quite a while," said Wilson. "Sometimes our material overlaps" he said. Wilson also said that they do not always tour together.

"There is no way I'm doing this just for fun," Wilson said. "I eventually want a family and I'm only trying to climb up the comic ladder to success," he said.

David E. Hardy, another performing comedian from Philadelphia, said he was lured into comedy after appearing at "The Comedy Factory." He said life was a bore and he decided to do something else for a career.

Hardy also said that he does original material. "If I tried to do someone else's material, I wouldn't come across very well," he said. He said that others can relate to the material to his act.

"I don't think about shocking an audience," Hardy said. "I think what makes me happy will make other people happy," he said.

Hardy has appeared at Catch a Rising Star in New York, the Comedy Cafe in Washington, and the Comedy Factory in Philadelphia. The North Carolina native has a B.S. degree in Communications from Temple University in Philadelphia.

"College audiences make me apprehensive for some reason," said Hardy. However, he adds that he loses his inhibitions once he hits the stage. "I have to be me and people have to live with that," said Hardy.



Rocky Wilson hopes someday to raise a family.



"Alex" does not like to fight the audience.



David Hardy is a graduate of Temple University.

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For additional information and to make reservations please contact Ms. Portia Fuller at 636-6005

Students having information about other students wishing to attend Howard from schools in their hometown please contact us.

***Students must attend all workshops**

Leftovers

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movie with weak performances. Esai Morales (*Bad Boys*) does the best job as Valen's jealous half-brother. *Born in East L.A.* - A picture so confused it does not know whether to mock or to uphold tired, old stereotypes about Hispanics. All I can say is don't waste your money on this one.

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Sex

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"Every guy in his heart wants to marry a virgin if he has enough courage to admit it, because when all the males have given themselves and their little fling a rebellion, they want to marry someone who is loyal and trustworthy," admits Ball, who felt the same way before he became a Christian.

When God made Adam and Eve, Adam had that urge to merge with the woman who came from his side, he said. The Bible says, "They knew one another and were not ashamed." It was pure and holy in front of God.

Ball thinks men and women can have a passionate sexual experience but only after marriage.

However, this is not the case with the majority of college students who

have had sex before the age of 19. The best kind of love, according to Ball, is a love that is not performance orientated and has conditions attach-

ed to the meaning, but a selfless love that is dominated by the mind and not by the carnal flesh.

Katheryn Edwards, an agnostic and psychology major disagreed with Ball's reasoning.

"I do not think people should wait for religious reasons, but abstinence until marriage will make people treat sex more seriously and not as a pastime," Edwards said.

One student, who chose to remain nameless, said, "premarital sex is vital because it is an extension of the relationship. I have to know in advance how we will get along sexually."

Alton Henley, 19, from the District of Columbia, thinks that premarital sex is wrong. "Religious reasons are not enough for people to abstain. These days you can't trust anybody."

For fall 1988, according to a notice released by Caspa L. Harris, then Vice President and Treasurer for Business and Fiscal Affairs, students who do not honor deferred payment due dates will be financially suspended from school, displaced from the residence hall, denied school records and subjected to aggressive collection actions.

Harris was replaced by Melvin W. Jones Aug. 1.

Sherrill said the university is planning to upgrade the financial aid office by reviewing the competency and general demeanor of employees, a problem which has been highlighted by frequent student complaints.

The office, established in 1976, is also being computerized for more speed and efficiency in processing aid and mailing financial aid letters and other tasks. It should also lead to shorter waiting lines, Sherrill said.

Currently, all paper work for more than 12,000 students is done manually.

"We're not talking about long term. We're talking about things happening this academic year for next year," Sherrill said.

The computer system should be in full operation by late February or early March, he said.

physical punishment," said Lay. "Your fat self may urge you to overexercise - with the result that you exhaust or injure yourself. Beware of this. Your fat self can't stand the idea of a healthy body, exercise will give you the healthy body you want."

5.) "Exercise can replace the compulsion to overeat." Exercise is an alternative activity to overeating, Lay said. "It cannot replace a compulsive desire to overeat."

"Compulsive eaters find that when their exercise schedules are interrupted - due to pressures of time, the cancellation of a friend's participation, an injury or bad weather - their compulsive overeating habits return."

Instead of people spending time in the gym, they return to the refrigerator.

In addition to tightening muscles and improving your metabolic functions exercising is a terrific way to make new friends and improve your social life. It can also relieve the pressures, disappointments, and anxieties we all experience from time to time. According to Lay, "When you exercise you feel more in control of your life, and this leads to a sense of well being."

So head for the gym, take advantage of the pool and local tennis courts and release that tension for your own emotional well being as well as burning off those calories.



Greg Ball gives religious advice to his audiences on college campuses.

Photo by James McKissic

Stabbing

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violation is a serious matter.

"We do not dismiss a player from the team the first time he violates the curfew," he said. After two violations, a player is dismissed from the team, he added.

Jeffries said he has had no major problems with players disobeying the

curfew this year. Four players were dismissed from the team in 1985 for breaking the curfew.

There have always been periodic room checks after curfew, but Jeffries said that now, rooms are being checked three or four times a week after the curfew.

Athletic Director William Moultrie said that there is no way of predicting if an incident like this will happen again.

"We can only instruct our young people to take precautionary actions," he said.

"Certain records from the 1986-87 academic school year are missing from our files which does not allow me to make reference to that administration," Clarke said, "but I can guarantee you that everything was done within the boundary of the LASC constitution."

Although William Jones, former LASC treasurer and currently the college's UGSA representative, argued that Clarke was wrong for operating without the approval of a budget, Archer said: "It is not unusual for the LASC to operate without an approved budget."

According to Art. 5, Sect. 2, Clause C of the LASC constitution, "The investigations committee shall act as a fact finding committee."

Austin Lane, dean for special student services, said the university's Code of Conduct does not take effect in this case unless the LASC investigations committee properly makes a recommendation for an investigation by a University-recognized judiciary board.

The investigations committee is scheduled to meet today, and according to Robert Williams, LASC senior class president, details about the meeting should be posted on the council's door.

LASC

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was obtained on all financial documents, although he was not aware that Churchwell's signature was not authentic on all of the documents.

Although accusations flared at the meetings, other council members were not fully informed on the matter.

Beard said: "I understand what was done (by Clarke), not that I agree with it. It was all done in the council's favor," the junior anthropology major added.

"The entire situation is hurting the council," added Richardson, a junior economics major.

Questions were also being raised by other members of the council as to why Clarke allowed the council to operate without an approved budget, and he responded that he was only modeling his actions after previous administrations.

Diseases

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almost equal percentage of males and females that come into the Health Center to be treated for STDs. "I would say there was an equal amount of males and females that come in to be treated. The percentage is very close."

The spread of STDs can be prevented. "Abstinence from sexual relationships is the most effective method of prevention," said Dr. Whitley. "However, this alternative is unacceptable to most people."

Book

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School of Medicine. He is also a scholar, teacher, scientist, historian and visionary.

In the dedication of the book, it states, "Dr. Cobb has taught and encouraged three generations of physicians who were initially referred to as 'colored', alerted them to their continuing the humanization during our

Limitation of sexual relationships to people who are uninfected also prevents the spread of STDs. This method of prevention requires informed sexual partners who appreciate candid communication on this topic."

More information about STDs can be obtained by calling the VD National Hotline 1-800-227-8922. This toll free number is answered by volunteers who will not ask your name, but they will provide information and referral for medical services.

Additional information can also be found at the Howard University Health Center as well as hospitals and self-help groups in the area.

'negro' days and now proudly shares with us our new identity as 'black Americans.'

The two volume book cannot be purchased from surrounding bookstores. A copy can be found in the Moorland Spingarn Library on campus. If anyone is interested in purchasing the book it must be ordered from Transcript Press. The mailing address is as follows: Transcript Press, 222 East Eufaula, Norman, Oklahoma 73069 or call (405) 360-7999. The book costs \$50 including postage and handling. There are limited publications.

Speakout

How do you feel about the new shuttle bus service?



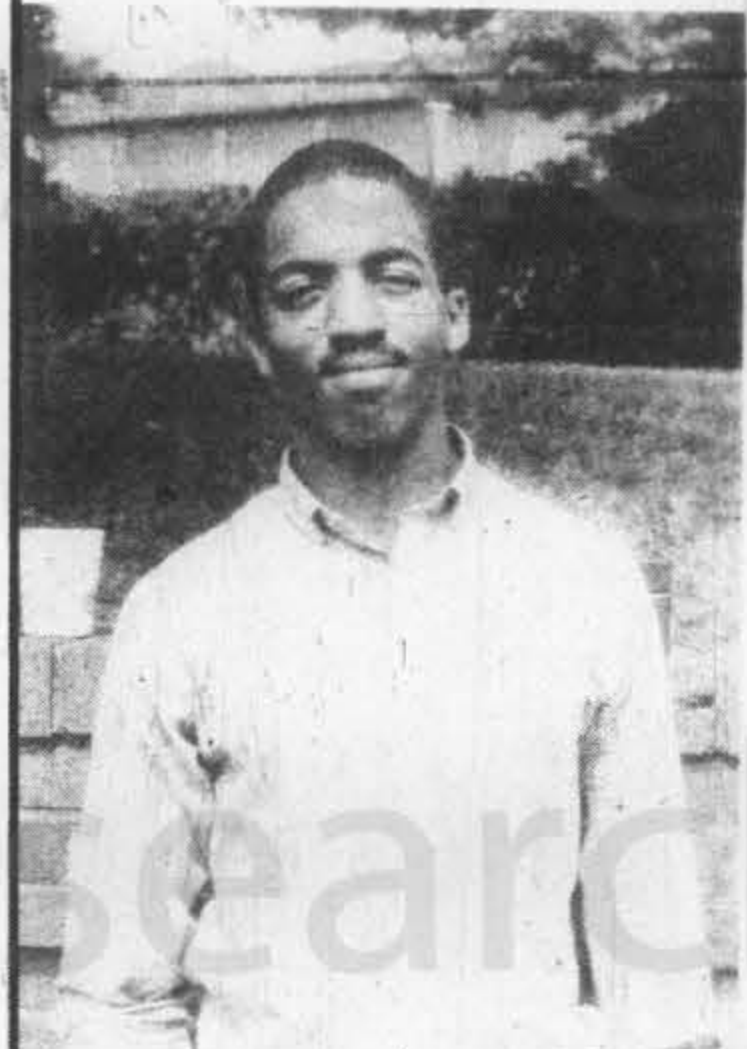
"I feel that the so called 'new' shuttle bus service is no different from what we've had in the past. The only difference being that we have newer, more modern buses to do our pushing and shoving on."

John McKey
Junior
Psychology
Berkeley, Ca.



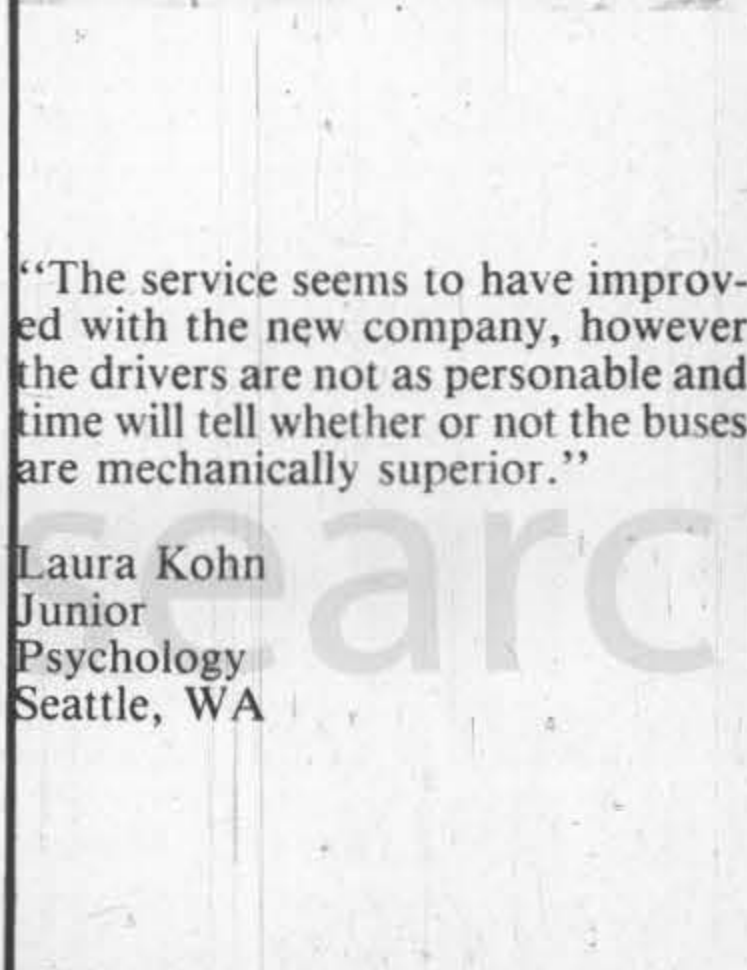
"At this point during the year it is still too early to decide if the shuttle bus provides the students with adequate service. I have noticed, however, that the shuttle bus has not been running every 1/2 hour as stated by the shuttle service. Hopefully in the very near future the students will receive the type of service that should be received by the paying Howard students."

Michelle Young
Sophomore
Television Broadcast Production
Chicago, IL



"I feel that the shuttle bus service overall is much better although the shuttles still run a bit late, I feel that the drivers have a friendlier attitude towards the students. That, in my estimation, makes all the difference."

Alton Henley
Sophomore
Finance
Washington, D.C.



"The service seems to have improved with the new company, however the drivers are not as personable and time will tell whether or not the buses are mechanically superior."

Laura Kohn
Junior
Psychology
Seattle, WA



"At this point in the year, I personally have no problems with the shuttle bus service. But this is not to say they don't exist. I feel with the number of students requiring the service, that eventually last years problems will once again surface. Thus we'll be faced with same crowded and undependable bus service we had last year."

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The Ladies of Alpha Chapter, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. present a cultural series entitled: "AIDS IN THE BLACK COMMUNITY" Sunday, September 13 in Blackburn Auditorium, 5:30pm - 7:00pm. The public is invited!

The Brothers of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., Beta Chapter would like to invite all interested young ladies to our annual sweetheart reception and interest meeting to be held on September 17, 1987 at 7:30pm in the Blackburn Center Auditorium.

Are you interested in being MISS HOWARD UNIVERSITY 1987-88? Do you know someone who should be? For details, contact the Student Council of your school or college. If additional information is needed, contact the Homecoming Committee, 116 Blackburn Center, 636-5932/5426.

THE HEALTH PROFESSIONS CLUB will have a meeting on Wednesday, September 16, 1987 in Locke Hall Rm. 105 at 5:50pm. All are welcome to attend this meeting!

St. George's Episcopal Church, 2nd and U Streets, NW. Sunday Services: 7:30am - 9:00am 11:00am. All are welcome!

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You are invited to attend a fundraiser to benefit the Families and Mineworkers of Southern Africa (Namibia & the Republic of South Africa). When: Tuesday, September 15, 1987. Time: 6:00 - 9:00pm. Where: Howard Inn, Joplin Room, 225 Georgia Ave., NW. Donation: \$10. Cash Bar. sponsored By: the Coalition to Support Southern African Mineworkers.

All students interested in volunteering for the various homecoming activities must complete a volunteer application before September 18, 1987. There will be a MANDATORY volunteer meeting on September 21, 1987 in the Blackburn Forum at 6:00pm.

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All students interested in participating in the Homecoming '87 "Motown Comes to Howard" Lip Sync contest, there will be an information session on Tuesday, Sept. 15 at 7:00 p.m. in the Blackburn Center Auditorium.

The Howard University Support Staff Organization (HUSO) invites you to participate in the First Annual Retreat on Saturday, September 19, 1987 10:00am to 4:00pm at the Silver Spring Armory, 925 Wayne Ave., Silver Spring, Md. Important issues relevant to the support staff (non-faculty) will be discussed. Contact Richard N. Myers, Jr. 797-4371.

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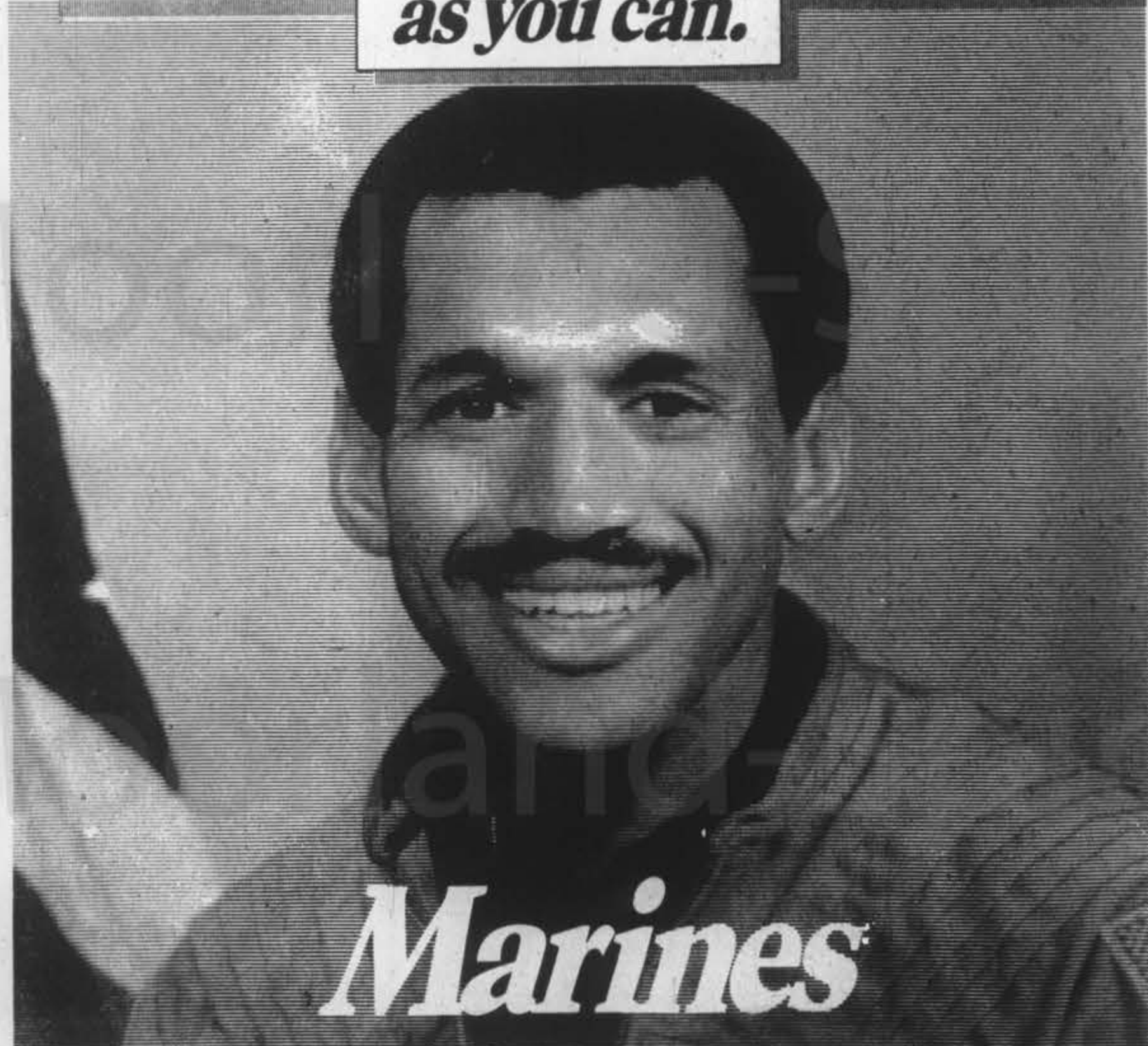
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